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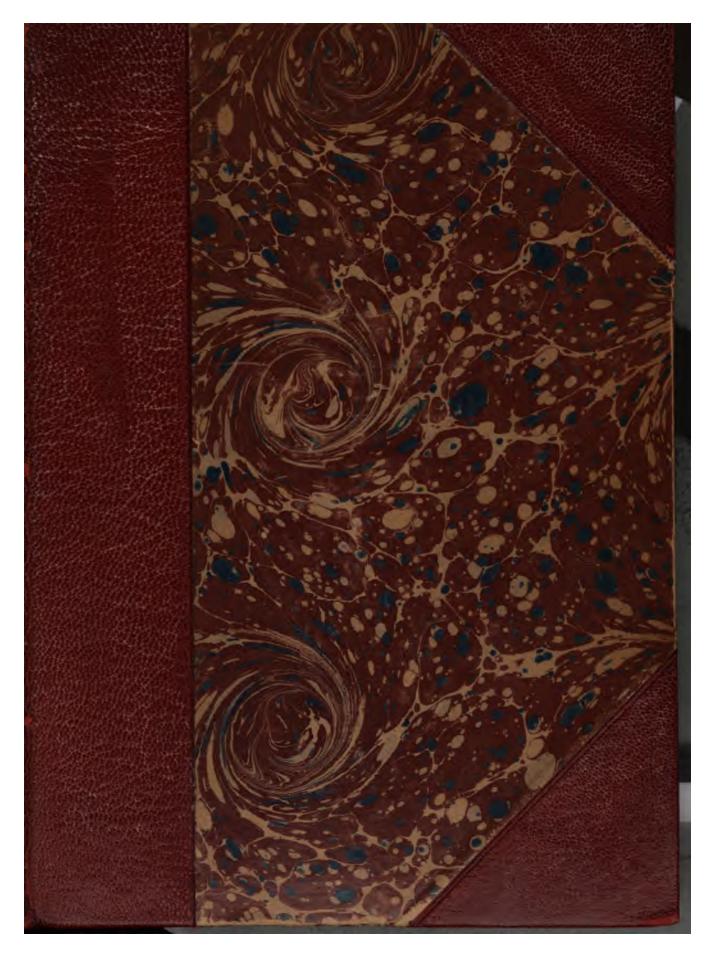
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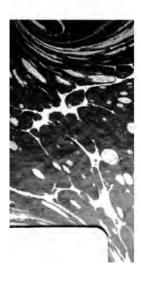
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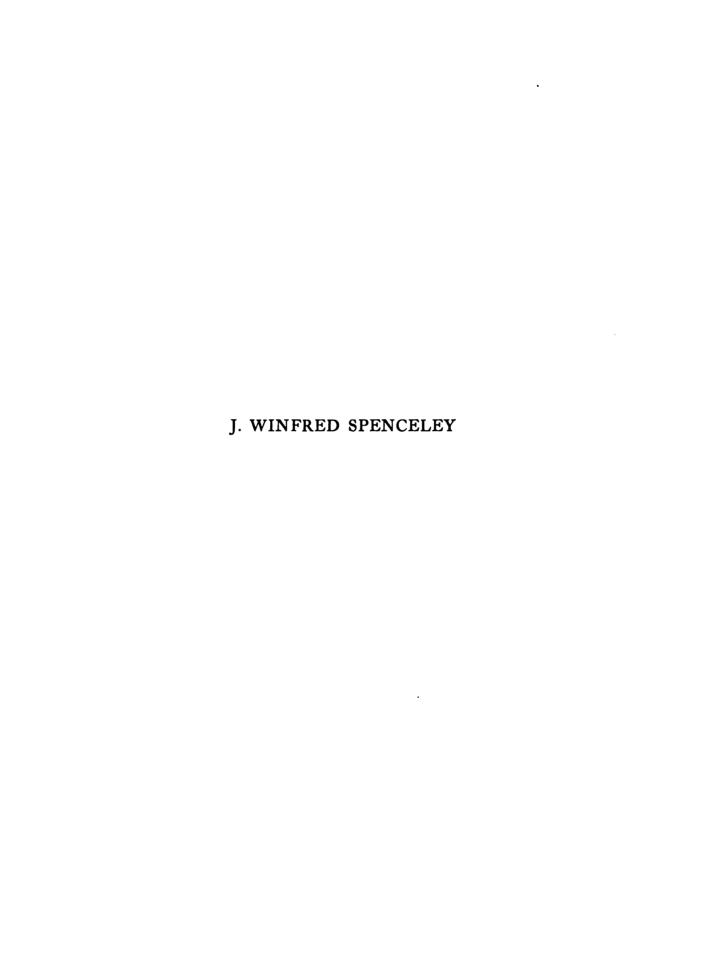




To mip Phoebe G. Nolbrook Without whose help this work conserved Rave Geers born.

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HIS ETCHINGS AND ENGRAVINGS IN THE FORM OF BOOK PLATES



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Seldom absent from my husband's work table was a little brown card, bearing the motto,

"Blessed is the man who has found his work."

How often, as leaning over his shoulder to watch the progress of some plate, has my eye caught sight of the little card, and my heart murmured, "Amen!"

Truly is he blessed who has found some form in which to express his ideals; a work that uplifts and inspires, giving to its creator that sublime enthusiasm that brings him into closer sympathy with God and man.

It is not the enthusiasm of genius, whose concentrated force turned in one direction rises to supreme ecstasy; but the gentle radiance, more diffused but springing from the same source, that means happiness and wider understanding.

Much has been said of Mr. Spenceley as an artist, and many have hinted at the personality of the man as portrayed in his book-plates; but few can know so well as I, the beauty of his nature or the strength of his spirit, and I shall never cease to be grateful for the privilege of knowing him so intimately.

Often, while bathed in the cosy glow from our wood fire, while the fitful shadows made fantastic inroads into the circle of light, have my eyes wandered to the long figure reclining

in the Indian wicker chair, gazing into the glowing embers and lost in dreams.

I would note the high broad forehead, the aquiline nose thrown into sharp relief against a background of shadows, the straight firm mouth and the strong square chin. The head of a thinker and idealist, but one whose outlines expressed power and great strength of character.

It might be that in my fond enthusiasm I would give voice to my thoughts and feel a slightly mischievous delight at his annoyance, for I have never seen a man more sensitive to personal reference. He had a particular shell he retired into when the subject became in any way personal, but the charm to bring him from his formidable stronghold was to make some appreciative reference to his work.

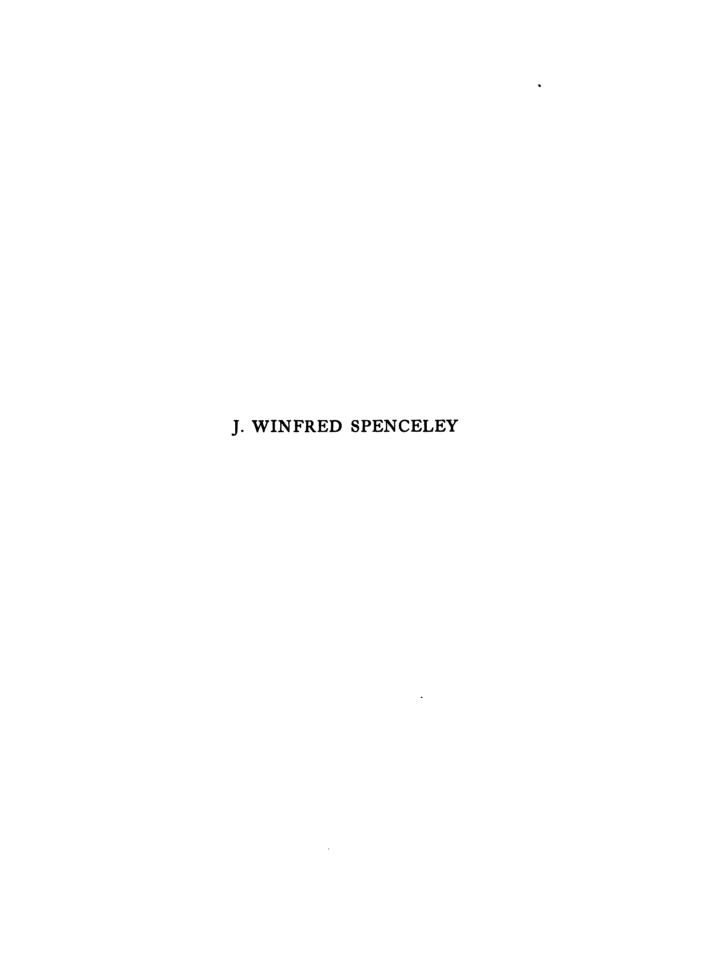
A Nature lover and a wanderer, he was constantly exploring new fields, and Mexico especially attracted him. He could never resist the charm of its antiquity and colour and many a bit of pottery or old china did he bring back from his travels there. Many a time have I seen his glance rest on a treasured serape and his face light up at the beauty of its soft rich colouring. Again he was back in memory to the land he loved, living over with sensuous delight the long sunlit days and feeling the serene peace Mexico ever held for him.

Was he again sitting in the sunlit plaza sipping chianti and listening to the musical plash of the fountain, punctuated now and then by the deep solemn notes of the Cathedral bell striking the hours in tones that reminded him of a sweet sad faced nun? Was he again revelling in the tropical luxuriance of foliage, the riotous profusion of colours and the heavy fragrance of the moist warm air while above soft cloud masses hung in a pale blue sky?

To mip Phoebe Getalbrook Without who a help this work could not Rave Beers Born.

Dec. 5.1910.





THE RANGE OF HIS ART

The range of Mr. Spenceley's art was so varied and exhibited itself in so many ways that his art naturally appeals to a great constituency.

Contrast for instance the majestic Cathedral nave of the Garfield (33) with the severe simplicity of Graycroft (163) — or the ideal orientalism of his own (18) or the R. O. Smith (4) with the dignified austerity of Davenport (194) or Mitchell (206) and you can readily see the wide range of his art as shown in his book-plates.

His heraldic achievements and mantling have been much admired by the experts in this country and abroad.

His library interiors, especially those which have glimpses of the outside landscape, are particularly happy in their composition and perspective. Above all, his out of door sketches have given the best motives for his landscape engravings and very few artists, in this or any other country, have attained to the beauty and charm of his bits of scenery, as shown in miniature or otherwise all through his book-plate work.

His free use of the etching needle on his landscapes avoided in a large measure the harshness of line engraving and produced that placid serenity which is so characteristic of his book-plates, whether they are entirely or partially a landscape.

HIS ENGRAVINGS OTHER THAN BOOK-PLATES

Before Mr. Spenceley engraved and etched book-plates he was for several years engaged in the production of small commercial engravings for business or social purposes, as well as in the illustration of certain publications issued by his friends in or near Boston. During this period he etched from nature

those exquisite vignettes which were to illustrate "Estelle" but which for some unknown reason were used for other ends. The original studies are still in existence and some of them have given to Mr. Spenceley the basis for some of his beautiful plates.

Later on he engraved a souvenir for the Society of Iconophiles dinner (various states), some head-pieces for the Riverside edition of "Voyage autour de ma chambre," a graceful wreath title page for Dr. Dixson's "Ex Libris Series," the elaborate title page for the seventh year book of the Bibliophile Society (sundry states), as well as the Trinacria, the Lamb medal, the seal and Hopson's title page adaptable to all the later issues of the Society and the fine plate of St. Gaudens's Statue of Admiral Farragut, which was the last important engraving in which he was engaged and of which there exist several interesting working proofs.

No record of his miscellaneous work can be made at this time—it is only that of his art in the form of bookplates that has been attempted in the following pages.

WHAT THE RECORD IS

This record embraces all the proofs and states which it has been possible to gather — proofs and states either received from his hands or acquired from his estate — and a few prints have been added to illustrate the last condition of the plate.

It is a record made as a loving tribute to the memory of the late artist and as such I beg to dedicate it to all who remember and honour him. In the nature of things it is not—it cannot be—a complete record of Mr. Spenceley's book-plate work. It is as complete as it can be made at this date without the aid of other collectors who may in future add to our know-

ledge of the artist's productions. Imperfect as this list may prove to be, it has been the labour of many months and it owes its existence solely to the constant encouragement of Mrs. Spenceley to whom I hereby tender my heartiest thanks for her continued help. It was at her instance, also, that Professor La Rose kindly undertook to describe the recent heraldic plates. His name appears under every description prepared by him, including about a dozen which were originally described in or about 1905 for Mr. Spenceley and which were revised by him and found at his death as they now appear for the first time.

ABOUT THE TROUTSDALE CHECK-LIST

Professor Pierre de Chaignon La Rose in "A Descriptive Check-list of the Etched and Engraved Book-plates of J. Winfred Spenceley," published in 1905 by the Troutsdale Press, Boston, described in detail one hundred and thirty book-plates, and he did it in such a masterly manner, with such a high appreciation of the artist's work, that it would be an entirely supererogatory labour to enter into any matter concerning those plates, were it not for the fact that the descriptions refer in most instances to one state of the plate only — that state which Professor La Rose received from the artist for treatment.

About six plates in the total of one hundred and thirty are noted with varieties, whereas there is hardly a score of plates which are known to-day to collectors in one single type. This abundance of states is more marked in the later productions.

The final state — that generally seen in the small print — is the state best known to the public, and artists, as a rule, sign and distribute this last state in proof form, only — in

pursuance of an idea that public interest does not go beyond that. It is only after continued persistence that artists consent to sign and dispose of early states and then only to special clients who can, in the artist's judgment, appreciate such preliminary or outline engraving.

This accounts in great measure for the absence of any mention of the interesting series of states or working proofs existing before the final plates of Garfield (33), Spenceley (18), Prescott (43), Holbrook (30), to speak of only a few. It is worthy of remark in this connection that collectors who received certain signed proofs of the different states of the above named plates and many other plates, have found many intervening states of the same plate — here recorded as preceding such and such a signed copy — the inference being that such intervening states were not considered by the artist as sufficiently interesting to sign and dispose of as independent states although they are an important addition to our knowledge of the artist's painstaking way of working on his coppers, and furnish a complete concatenation of his ideas in carrying out the problems of composition and artistic grouping that he had to deal with.

The foregoing is the only valid excuse for intruding upon the field so well covered by Professor La Rose.

ABOUT WORKING PROOFS

It is to be noted that all proofs of states preceding the final state of the plate are generally considered of greater rarity—in some cases only one proof being known to have been taken—and that they are therefore interesting in more than one point.

The artist signed twenty-five to thirty proofs of his final

work — very seldom he signed fifty proofs from the copper before it was steel-faced for the purpose of printing small impressions — and he persistently refused to sign impressions from the plate after it had been steel-faced, as he did not consider such impressions as artist's proofs worthy of his signature.

The artist discouraged any attempt to let large paper impressions of his plates pass as artist's proofs and only one case is known where he deviated from the rule of declining to sign them.

There are a few cases where the original engraving has been changed — either in the engraving of the plate or in its name — without the artist's knowledge — and of such only small prints exist.

THE ARTIST'S PRIVILEGES

Mr. Spenceley declined invariably in his dealings with private firms or clients, to waive his right to hold for himself and friends a limited number of his proofs from his work—six to ten proofs—and this stand was so persevered in that he often preferred not to execute the commission, rather than to surrender what he considered his rights as an artist. Here is a copy of part of a letter he wrote to a prospective client:

"I always have kept half a dozen proofs for friends who are particularly interested in my work and whose criticism or approval I value. This has always been the engraver's privilege and one that I have enjoyed."

Some of his plates were kept private — that is to say — their names were not divulged — for a long period, for special reasons and at the special behest of the owners or their agents — but all of them are now known and described.

IOINT WORK WITH EDWIN D. FRENCH

Three of these plates were engraved in connection with the late Edwin Davis French, our artist's esteemed friend and adviser. One, the Smith (51), was engraved solely by Mr. Spenceley, faithfully reproducing a pen and ink sketch of Mr. French. The second, the Stickney (52), was outlined and partly engraved by Mr. French and finished by Mr. Spenceley with the exception of Hermes's head which was subsequently engraved by Mr. French. The third was the Washington County Free Library (204), an electro of which was furnished by Mr. French's estate with the original border and a new portrait, for Mr. Spenceley to consolidate and finish, which he did in January, 1908, to the satisfaction of all concerned. The correspondence between the late E. D. French and our artist in connection with the two first mentioned plates is exceedingly interesting. The first letter from E. D. French is as follows:

THE HENRY A. SMITH PLATE

"Jan. 19, 1899—The inclosed design was submitted to a customer two months ago, and he has decided to have it engraved. Can you help me with it? How much would it be worth to engrave or etch (so that it would pass as an engraving) same size as design? I really know nothing of your prices, or the prices that commonly obtain in the trade. This order comes through a book firm, and I dare say I put the price too low, but of course I would not ask you to do it for less than you can afford, and for that reason I make no offer of any definite price to you. In case you undertake this, it will probably be best for neither of us to sign it, or claim it in our lists! The collectors can puzzle it out to suit themselves."

The second letter is dated January 23, and reads partly as follows:

"As to the Smith plate I will tell you frankly that I was limited to \$22.50 and intended to give them (——) a very simple affair for that price, but doubtless in making the design I gave them a more elaborate plate than I intended. If you can engrave the plate for \$18.—or \$20.—I shall be glad to have you. Probably the spacing of the letters in the name will want some regulating, and if you can use etching to any advantage in saving work, do not hesitate to do so."

The third, dated January 28, simply said:

"I shall be glad to have you send me the plate when completed with a proof, if convenient. I do not anticipate that any changes will be needed."

The fourth and last letter reads thus:

"February 5, 1899—I received your letter inclosing the Smith plate yesterday morning and the proofs last night. It seems to me that it is in every way satisfactory, and I have no doubt that it will be quite acceptable to —— and their customer. I was limited in cost to \$22.50 on this plate — I wonder they did not say \$22.49 like the Department Store people! — as I think I already wrote. I inclose check for \$18. — and if you think I am too greedy, don't hesitate to say so. I shall be glad to have you accept the sketch, if you care for it, and I shall be delighted to retain the design for the Butterfield plate, as you kindly permit me."

In this pleasant way the two artists transacted their first business and had their laugh at collectors and dealers.

Now as to the extent of the proofs which have come to the knowledge of collectors, the record is this:

First state with signature of J. W. S. Sc. under the frame — on thin Japan paper.

Second state with the signature erased and a few dots and lines added to the engraving — of this state there are three distinct sets of proofs:

a—on white porous paper with this pencil note on back—
"This is the only proof signed

by both artist and engraver sgd J. W. S."

b-on heavy cream, laid, batonné paper — the set signed by J. W. S.

c-on Japan paper - the set sold by the Estate E. D. F.

THE STICKNEY PLATE

The letters from E. D. French on the Stickney plate, begin on February 5, 1899:

"....Now, I don't know if you care to undertake any more work for me: if you don't say so frankly, and I will not be offended. I inclose a drawing I made several months ago for the Chicago Historical Society, or rather for Mrs.—— who gives the plate, I believe. Mrs.—— objected to the "Accession No." and "Shelf No." on the original drawing, which I modified as appears on the tracing. I have the plate partly engraved, and would like to get you, if you are so disposed, to go on with it. The bead border around the edge is completed, and considerable of the rest laid out, as the lining of the ground

at the top, and the upper tablet with inscription is nearly completed. The violin and flute are two important features, which I am anxious to have well and correctly brought out: my drawing is of course very bad: I had intended to photograph a violin and flute in the position shown and work from that. The organ pipes should go back more also. Perhaps you had better leave the Hermes until the last and let me finish it, if I get well enough. My intention was to keep the shading very light on the scrolls: that is engraved with very few lines."

This was followed by the sending of the copper Feb. 11, 1899, with this:

"I will send you by express to-day or Monday the Edward S. Stickney plate, and ask you to go on with the engraving, if you will kindly do so. It is likely to be some time yet before I can seriously settle down to work again. I should like you to have the violin and flute come out well, especially the latter: Mr. S. was an amateur flute player of some ability, they tell me. I am not sure whether it would not be better to put in the diagonal lines and dots in the background, or whether we can get enough 'vibration' out of the lines cut (a little wavy, broken and irregular) all in one direction. As to the matter of price, I shall have to leave it altogether to you: you can keep some account of the time you put on it and send me the bill for what that time ought fairly to yield you: it would not be easy to estimate what proportion of the work is already done. I agreed to do the plate for \$75 .--, but the change at the top makes more work, which I suppose must be my loss. They are very particular that 'Elizabeth' should be spelled with a Z.

I made it S in the original drawing, after copy furnished me."

In the third letter dated Feb. 26, 1899, Mr. French says:

"I think perhaps it will be as well not to use etching on the figure of Hermes in the Stickney plate — unless you have already commenced to do so. I think that in a few days I may feel well enough to do a little, and if you leave that figure, I will finish it up with the graver."

The fourth letter has this paragraph: March 13, 1899:

"I received your letter of the 10th, and the proof of the Stickney plate, which is very satisfactory. Kindly send me the plate by Express (collect), and as soon as I feel a little stronger I will finish the Hermes, and submit proofs to customer. I inclose check for \$25.—, the amount you mention, and hope that you have made it enough to fairly remunerate you for your trouble and time. I also thank you very much for helping me out with the plate."

And thus another episode closed between the two artists. No attempt was ever made by the late E. D. French to suppress information as to Mr. Spenceley's share in the completion of this work and the recorded states of this plate are as follows:

First state — as it was sent by E. D. F. to J. W. S. — upper portion partly engraved, including name tablet — the rest outlined — sgd by E. D. F.

Second state — as it was advanced by J. W. Spenceley who writes in pencil: "This Stickney plate was commenced and about half completed by Mr. French,

when on account of illness he asked me to complete it, excepting the Hermes. This proof shows the plate as I left it. Signed, J. Winfred Spenceley."

Third state — with Hermes retouched.

The two first states were preserved to collectors by Mr. Spenceley who disposed of them in 1907 to a friend who distributed them among collectors.

THE HAGERSTOWN PLATE

The Washington County Free Library plate was finished in January, 1908, and a few sets of proofs were then or soon after distributed among the friends of the late artist. Without entering into the matter of the various essays of the portrait made for this plate by Mr. French, and commencing the record of proofs from the accepted portrait, the following are to be noted:

- First state—Portrait accepted stamped by Mr. French, Sep. 8, 1905. This date refers to date of finishing the engraving — The acceptance was made probably after the death of Mr. French.
- Second state—Electro plate from which the proof was pulled with this pencil note: "Electro plate by E. D. French. As it came to me to complete portrait and background. Signed, J. Winfred Spenceley."
- Third state—Proof with this pencil note: "Proof of electro as completed by J. Winfred Spenceley" autographed.

This was the third and last book-plate with which the names of the two artists were connected. Mr. Spenceley identified himself so well with Mr. French's art that it is difficult

for anyone to distinguish where one left and the other commenced the engraving, were it not that we have in a concrete form the exact place where they separated. The Smith plate was engraved following line by line and dot by dot the French design and was a source of great satisfaction to Mr. French to see his drawing so faithfully carried out.

FRENCH AND SPENCELEY FRIENDSHIP

The acquaintance of the artists began in 1897 but not till 1899 grew to terms of friendship, ripening into intimacy. This gave rise to a series of exchanges of each other's work which never ceased until the career of the elder artist closed in 1906. Their correspondence is brimful of generous appreciation and it is remarkable for the absence of that professional jealousy the existence of which, we are told, mars the relations of artists everywhere. Edwin Davis French was a prince of generous souls and his charming letters of praise, advice, hints and criticism were at once very valued and esteemed by the younger artist. The sincerity of both praise and criticism is so transparent and has thrown so much sunshine on the path of a struggling artist, that it may be of interest to quote some of his remarks:

Sep. 21, 1897—"The Hewins and Holbrook proofs are very beautiful, especially the latter."

Nov. 20, 1897—"I don't quite like the two last plates, that is not so well as the Andrew Smith. The Butterfield has charming bits in it, however, and the Van Zandt is beautifully executed and is very effective."

April 4, 1899—"The bit of landscape etching is charming in composition and execution and the Bessie W. Hastings is really a very beautiful plate — one of the best

you have done, I think. The design of the Hammond plate does not appeal so strongly to me, but the owner may be congratulated on having it interpreted in an artistic way instead of making a crude process affair of it. And the Thébaud plate promises well. The first thing that occurred to me if you will pardon me for suggesting it is that the buildings in the distance do not go far enough it lacks atmosphere — seems too much like an interior. I remember that the original etching had somewhat the same fault. In the arrangement of the design, I think I should have made the scrolls issuing from the shield, and the lillies worked in with them extending beyond perhaps it would not be so easy to manage, on actual trial, however. It seems to me to be an extremely good piece of work and ought to be satisfactory to the dealer and his customer."

July 2, 1899—"Let me thank you for your proofs of the Peck, Pfaff and J. B. W. plates, in all of which you have done most excellent work."

March 2, 1900—"Allow me to congratulate you on the fine work you have put into the W. H. Perry Library plate. I like it very much, both in design and execution. The graver work is managed with great delicacy and expression, and the little view of the pyramids, with the clouds floating past them, is exquisite."

March 20, 1900—"Thank you very much for the package of proofs you sent me, which show much excellent work, and I think an improvement in many ways over some of your earlier plates. Your lettering is very effective and tasteful. I admire very much that little orchard scene, which comes out finely."

June 8, 1902—"You know I always admire your charming little landscape pieces and find unusually good examples of that sort of thing in the central composition of the Truesdell plate and especially in the Whitney plate, after Goodhue's design, which I have before me."

July 29, 1902—"Your welcome letter of the 24th has reached me, and also the proofs, which I admire very much. The charming bit of landscape in the etched Maud Teahon plate especially attracts me, but I also am greatly pleased with the interesting way in which you have framed the lozenge in the Marie Winthrop plate. If the B. L. Welch does not appeal to me, it is only on account of conditions that were doubtless imposed upon by your client. They are all effective, yet simple and without that overelaboration which I find it is so difficult to avoid in my own work."

Aug. 9, 1903—"I am very much pleased with the proofs you have sent me. The Winthrop is a charming little armorial, and the arrangement of the name is especially dainty, and does not suggest crowding. Mr. Palmer sent me a small print of his plate — a most excellent composition. The Hoyt and Knox plates are very beautiful pieces also."

Sep. 18, 1903—"I thank you very much for the proofs, which to my mind show constant improvement and increasingly beautiful effects—in the A. C. James for instance, the effects obtained from the combination of etching and ruling in the views of the yacht and square-rigged vessel are really exquisite, as well as many other details of the plate. I also particularly admire the Bowen plate, and the Finney, especially its landscape."

June 14, 1905—"I want to thank you very much for the copy of the book — the list of your book-plates — and the beautiful signed proofs you so kindly sent me. I note again those charming bits of landscape which you render so well, in the Brewster and Robinson plates, and especially the varied setting of the arms in the Lauder plates — the arrangement of the Forbes with the various agricultural emblems surrounding the lozenge — a chevron on a lozenge is a difficult problem — the two University plates — the Michigan and California — are especially fine — and the Holbrook admirable in its execution."

Sep. 10, 1905—"Mrs. Lee's new plate is a very beautiful one—a most exquisite bit of landscape. Your little plate for Mrs. Smith also, I like very much. The Manzo, too is a very dainty arrangement, and an outlandish name withal. The Herrin is a particularly fine plate and I like the etched landscape for Mrs. Dixson and the Linda Thomas which I fancy is even more effective thus printed with red ink than it would be in black."

July 18, 1906—"Yes, the proofs are most excellent. The Architecture-Harvard plate must have been very tedious to do, in the same degree as I can imagine the pleasure you had in the exquisite bit of landscape in the Knowles. The two armorials please me very much. In the Harkness the crest, a ship torn by the tempest, is nicely placed and the continuation of the wave feeling out into the background, yet not obtrusive enough to destroy the conventional effect, is a very happy feature of the composition. You have made a beautiful arrangement of the Lydig arms."

And the final generous recognition of a fellow workman's

talent is shown in this last letter from Mr. French dated August 26, 1906:

"Really, such prospective clients of mine who get weary of waiting for me and turn to you, may be thankful that there is a limit to my capacity for work, and congratulate themselves on the result, when they get such beautiful work as your recent plates seem to me. I fancy it would be less difficult for you to design and engrave a 'French' book-plate than it would be for me to produce a 'Spenceley' with one of those charming etched views."

Alas! the younger survived the elder artist but two years, during which interval Mr. Spenceley, weakened by the ravages of the malady to which he finally succumbed, was not able to devote all his time to the production of the beautiful work which Mr. French admired so much.

EXCLUSIVE USE OF SPENCELEY DESIGNS

It is to be remarked in looking over the list of Mr. Spenceley's plates, that very few were designed by other artists, since the record published by Prof. La Rose, — the elaborate Harvard-Department of Architecture by Frederick Harrison Hall — and the Bentley designed by Albertine Randall Whelan, being the most conspicuous exceptions. Prof. Palmer's beautiful symbolism was arranged by Bruce Rogers and the two Gage varieties were designed by Mabel C. Gage — all three were minor pieces of work as far as the engraving is concerned. This paucity of other artists' designs was mainly due to the difficulty of meeting the views of both designer and client in every particular. Not that our artist lacked the adaptability and pliancy required in such cases for there are conspicuous examples of his readiness to change his designs upon the mere

suggestion of a client, but because there is bound to exist a divergence of opinions between the client and the intermediary, which no artist can with patience ever so great, attempt to reconcile.

A FRIENDLY HELPER

Mr. Spenceley has never, as far as our investigation goes, permitted his own designs to be treated by other artists and his reluctance in that respect has been the primary reason of the unwillingness on the part of his estate to have the present unfinished plates, to the number of six, completed by other artists. Four other plates in a more advanced condition were lettered and vignetted by a friendly hand after the designs of the writer, and the Memorial plate was similarly amplified and completed by the use of Mr. Spenceley's own monogram vignette.

SPENCELEY CHECK-LISTS

Mr. Spenceley's first check-list was published by the Troutsdale Press of Boston in 1905 and described nearly all the 135 plates therein listed. His second list was not descriptive and included plates up to Number 172. The third list included plate No. 204 and was not descriptive. The present list not only describes the plates, the description of which was omitted in previous lists, but it enumerates all the book-plates which are known to have been produced by the artist as such book-plates, as well as two which were engraved, but not used, as book-plates and six other plates partly engraved and left unfinished at the time of Mr. Spenceley's death. The numeration ends, however, with the plates actually used as book-plates.

HIS SIGNATURE ON COPPERS

It is to be noted that some of his engravings of the period which I shall call his bank-note-period, were after designs of other artists and were not generally signed at the time; some were signed at a later period — some had the signature obliterated by the dealer or intermediary — and some owners of plates ignore to this day who was the actual engraver of their plates, although the Troutsdale book in 1905 gave proper credit to the artist. The propensity of certain dealers to erase the name of the artist in order to receive for their firm undue credit. was checked in some manner by the artist in late years, by introducing his signature or initials in out of the way places in the plate — sometimes hidden with such success that it is difficult even with a magnifying glass to detect their place. This propensity, I am glad to say, has grown less and less marked of recent years, but we cannot expect it to disappear entirely among the commercially inclined when the Treasury Department of this great Nation erases the initials of the artist who designs its own coins.

J. M. A.

29 West 75th St. New York, December, 1909

DESCRIPTIVE ALPHABETICAL LIST

ABBREVIATIONS

LPSP—Large size paper, signed Artist's proof LPUP—Same unsigned SPSP—Small size paper, signed Artist's proof SPUP—Same unsigned

165—GORDON ABBOTT

Landscape — Pictorial

The main picture of this plate is seen from an open window on the tree bordered shore of the New England coast, with sea and islands in the distance. A lovely summery scene. Below the window there are books and parchments, under which a tablet bears the owner's name. A cockle shell and volute supports complete the base. A columnated top tablet is hidden by a scroll, with "Ex Libris" and a stag's head and antler and from behind the scroll issue suggestions of sporting articles—gun, fishing-rod and basket to right, Yacht Club flag and anchor are visible to left. Sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905

a-LPSP - full sign

b—LPUP — showing slight retouches Print — no change

118—HERBERT SPENCER ALLEN

Described by La Rose p. 48 — Illustrated in red p. VIII

a-LPSP - red brown

b—LPP — sgd by both Spenceley and Hall — black Print — no change

200—JOSEPH MANUEL ANDREINI

Landscape — Pictorial

A double decorated frame enclosed by a thin line contains in the middle an elaborately framed circle fringed on sides and top with dense foliage, and allowing the eye to behold a formal Italian garden and villa with distant hills and a cumulus sky. The sides of the oblong are filled with rose and daisy garlands with cloud formation underneath. At base books and prints are grouped, to the left, while the owner's name in a three section scroll flutters at the right. Sgd J W Spenceley 1907

a-LPSP — first state — name riband plain background — sgd J W Spenceley 1907

b-LPSP - second state - name riband toned

c-LPSP - balconies added to villa windows - black

d-LPSP - same in chocolate brown

e—LPSP — same in light brown Print — no change from "c"

213—J M A (NDREINI)

Landscape — Deep Valley

Cedars and oaks are seen on the slope of a hill to the right, a valley to the left and distant hills in the background, capped by a cumulus sky.

Unframed - Sgd J W Spenceley 1908

An early proof sgd by J W Spenceley, has this quotation pasted on the back: "There is no deep valley but near some high hill—John Webster"

An open book at the left lower corner, is surrounded by convolvuli and on three sides appear the initials of the owner in old Caxton fashion

3 x 2 1/4

a-LPUP - first state - not sgd

b-LPUP - same state with color additions

c—LPSP — same state — better impression — on thick

- cream paper with quotation pasted by J W S on sending proof to owner
- d—SPUP first trial proof in Boston with signature J W Spenceley 1908 small paper no letters
- e-LPUP same state on large paper
- f-LPUP trial proof in N Y one of 5 on white paper
- g—SPUP first trial proof with letters on white paper
- h—LPUP—final proof in Japan paper
 Print—no change
 See note at foot of 210

210—KENNETH MINIUS ANDREINI

Landscape

- Steel etching. Low cottages are set in the midst of poplars and elms by the side of an old bridge connecting the two sides of a quiet pond, bordered with tall grasses and showing a few lilies in the foreground. The owner's name is at the base, flanked by an open book surrounded by rays and capped by "Ex Libris" at left and a miniature sea scene with a lateen-sail ship and distant land, at the right. Unframed.
- Sgd J W S in open letters—an old signature; no date—
 (189-?)
 3½ x 1¾
- a—LPSP Early state of etching sgd by J W S with paraphe etching not sgd black no letters
- b-LPUP same state in light brown
- c—LPUP trial proofs after signature one of 5 no letters
- d-LPUP trial proof with letters on white paper
- e—LPUP final proof on Japan paper Print — no change

Nos. 210 to 213

 These four plates were left unfinished by J W Spenceley at his death and were retouched, lettered, vignetted and finished by another artist after designs of J M Andreini.

81—THE ALTON ROAD

Described by La Rose p. 31

- a-SPSP first and outline state not sgd
- b—LPSP as described sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1901

Print - no change

7—ALICE ROOT ATKINSON

Described by La Rose p. 3

- a—SPSP sign with paraphe early mounted by C D Allen — sharp square impression of the plate
- b-LPSP round corners of plate slight reduction in size
- c-print mounted by JWS and sgd with early monogram
- d-LPP No. 2 of 15 proofs pulled Jan '09 CHS
- e-LPP showing plate after cancellation Print — no change from "b"

112—CHARLES RATHBONE BALLOU

Described by La Rose p. 45

- a-LPUP early state showing two trees in center oval
- b—LPSP with tall pine tree as described Print no change

21—GEORGE FOSTER BARNES

Described by La Rose p. 7

- a—SPUP early state no frame palette unshaded
- b-LPSP two thin line frame palette shaded
- c-print mounted by J W S
- d-LPUP No. 2 of 15 proofs pulled Jan '09 CHS
- e—LPP shows plate after cancellation Print — no change

216—GEORGE FOSTER BARNES

Pictorial

This seems to have preceded plate 2x described by La Rose on p. 7. The symbolism is identical but its arrangement is different. A sunset scene with an ancient barque is seen through the foliage of large trees growing before the casement of an open window which bears, beneath, a winged palette with brushes. Tall script initials flank the picture which partly hides the middle initial, at the bottom of which is a bee, just above the owner's name in block caps. Both scene and initials have a conventional background of flowers and leaves.

Not sgd — not dated — (189-9)

2 X 2

- a—LPSP as described only sgd proof known
- b—LPUP same condition but unsgd No prints known

46—[ALBERT C. BATES]

Described by La Rose p. 17

- a-print no proofs exist
- b—SPUP Jolliffe plate before lettering, with pencil note by J W S thus "Bates hand more to left"

The Jolliffe fesse is entirely argent in early state The Bates fesse has a thin line at bottom and slight shading

sinister

The Jolliffe plate — finished state — has also slight shading — slighter than Bates

189—CHARLES HARVEY BENTLEY

Pictorial

The headless form of the winged Victory stands on a rocky pedestal in the foreground of a rectangle and at her right is a tall pine showing half of its trunk and one graceful drooping branch. The shore of a low headland is seen in the distance, the intervening space being filled by a glimpse of the Pacific Ocean. A beautiful cumulus sky gives brilliancy to the whole. The toned panel at the base of the statue bears "Ex Libris" and the owner's name — four lines in all. At the right of this panel rise three larkspur stalks, on the first of which appears the cycled monogram of the designer of this vigorous plate — Albertine Randall Wheelan.

Sgd J W S Sc. 1906

4 X 1 %

- a-LPSP first state of plate light no initials
- b—LPUP shows slight retouches sgd J W S sc
- c-LPSP pine tree lighter sgd as above
- d—LPSP—pine tree much darker—sgd by both J W S and Albertine Randall Wheelan, del Print—no change

35—BILLERICA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Described by La Rose p. 13

- a—LPSP as described unsgd petitioner's last name in two lines "Chambe(rline)"
- b—large print mounted further shading inner circle
 last name "Chamberlyn" in one line sgd J W S
 '97

Small print - no change

217—BISHOP'S HOUSE, QUINCY, ILLINOIS

Armorial

This plate was made for the Right Reverend M. Edward Fawcett, D.D., Bishop of Quincy, to be used as a letter-

head: it has however, also been used as a book-plate.

Arms: Diocese of Quincy impaling Fawcett.

A—Argent, between two pallets wavy azure and debruising them in fesse, a cross-quadrate gules, thereon seven mascles conjoined, 3, 3 and 1, or.

B—Or, a lion rampant sable, debruised by a bend gobony gules and argent.

The shield ensigned with a mitre, a crozier and above them a Bishop's hat (green with six tassels at either side). Designed by Pierre de Chaignon La Rose.

Engraved, unsigned 11/4 x 15/8 (La Rose)

SPUP — as described — not sgd — not dated (1907)
Print — no change

79—JENNIE PRINCE BLACK

Described by La Rose p. 30

a—LPSP — plate before scroll with lettering and toned border — unsgd

b-LPUP - same state with trial line frame

c—LPSP — as described Print — no change

121—MORRIS & LENORE BLACK

Described by La Rose p. 49

a-LPSP - first state of plate - unshaded letters

b-LPUP - early state - much lighter

c—LPSP — as described Print — no change

37—BOSTON BROWNING SOCIETY

Described by La Rose p. 13

a-LPSP - as above

b-print mounted - portrait of Robert Browning by Merrill

Print - no change

BOWDOIN COLLEGE LIBRARY

Unfinished plate

The well known seal of Bowdoin is in the upper middle of the copper - % of an inch below is the shield - azure three martlets - chevron or.

The design shows that between the seal and shield and partly covering it, there was to be seen a beaded oval surrounded by oak leaves and acorns and in the center of the oval, the title-"Bowdoin / College / Library." Flanking the seal a ribbon rippled gracefully and on both sides of the shield there were books and MSS, resting on the panel with the inscription "The Gift of / Class of / 1908" with two tied wreaths of pine needles and cones. The frame was to be a plain three line frame.

Sgd "J W S 1908" on original drawing

Plate impression 5 x 3 1/4 - Engraving 2 x 1/8

a-LPUP - one of three impressions from the copper in its unfinished state — pulled in 1909

139—ROXANA ATWATER WENTWORTH BOWEN

Decorative with landscape

On a flat cartouche with scrolling, rococo edges, is etched, within a plain, nearly circular moulding, a delicate little landscape — an orchard with apple trees in blossom, backed by tall pines, between which one catches a glimpse of distant mountains. Above the cartouche ripples a ribbon bearing the owner's name, and below another with the motto: EN DIEU EST TOUT. This is all enclosed in a narrow bevelled frame. To the right, at the base—resting on the outer frame is a small pile of books; to the left, a jar of roses and lilies-of-the-valley. Etched and engraved - sgd J W S 1904

1% x 2 (La Rose)

a-LPSP - sgd J W S 1904 Print - no change

78—ELIZABETH HITCHCOCK BRAYTON

Described by La Rose p. 30

a—LPSP — as above Print - no change

150—ROBERT STANTON BREWSTER

Landscape

A richly moulded frame enclosing a landscape, with about two-fifths of the upper portion hidden by a broad panel on which is etched another scene.

An interesting problem in composition, very successfully worked out. In the chief picture one is looking down a quiet woodland stream bordered with the delicate birch and aspen foliage of early summer. In the middle distance the little river winds to the right and is hidden. The background is filled with a wooded slope. The upper picture shows a narrow walk along the side of a tree fringed meadow. The fields are chequered here and there with the long, slanting shadows of a summer afternoon. At the end of the meadow is the suggestion of a lake.

These two landscapes are altogether lovely. At the top of the frame is the motto: FIDE ET VIRTUTE. At the bottom a ribbon bearing the owner's name rolls above and to each side of a little beaded circle filled with a map of the Western Hemisphere, and resting on a loose garland of roses.

Etched and engraved; sgd J W S 1905 2x31/8 (La Rose)

a-LPSP - sgd J W S 1905

b—LPUP — shows shading in upper landscape Print — no change

188—NATHANIEL HENRY BURT

Pictorial

An oval cartouche within a ribbon tied frame, bears the owner's name in three lines. Rose garlands indent the cartouche on either side and from the top issue wreaths of laurel surrounding an open book, resting on a lattice background — while at the bottom another cartouche of small size contains the rays of a lighted candlestick which stands on the edge of two shelves beneath and which are loaded with books and MSS.

Sgd J W Spenceley 1906

2% x 21/2

a-LPUP - first and outline state of the plate

b—SPUP — outline state with water-color additions for lettering, &c

- c—LPUP shows engraving of above design plus a torch under name oval — sgd J W Spenceley, 1906
- d-LPSP final state showing additional rays around torch-light

Print - no change

36-WILLIAM ARCHER BUTTERFIELD

Error in French motto: Les bons livres sont des bons amis instead of "de bons amis" Impression of plate 5¼ x 3%

- a-LPUP first signed state with the error
- b-LPUP same state with additions in pencil, &c
- c-LPUP shows slight changes
- d-LPUP with further changes same error plate cut down to 3½ x 35%

Corrected plate

- a-LPSP described by La Rose, p. 13
- b—LPSP same sgd by both Spenceley and Butterfield

Impression of plate 3% x 3½ Large print — no change

155—EBEN MACBURNEY BYERS

Decorative

A well toned scroll, torn at various points, bears the owner's name in three lines and a smaller scroll above with a crest-like device of one of the Societies at Yale Univ'y. Behind this appear the ends of a golf stick and of a fishing line. Beneath these are seen three shelves well filled with books, partly hidden by the name scroll. The whole is framed by a simple line frame ornamented at the base.

Sgd J W S 1905

a—LPSP—sgd J W S 1905 Print—no change

28—CHARLES E. CAMERON (I).

Described by La Rose p. 9

- a—LPUP trial proof 3d stage J W S before letters or sign
- b-LPUP shows retouches trial proof 4th stage
- c—LPSP as described Print — no change

29—CHARLES E. CAMERON (II)

Described by La Rose p. 10

- a-LPSP first state of plate not sgd not lettered
- b—LPSP second state of plate sgd J W Spenceley Del Sc lettered
- c—LPUP blue trial proof with knife at belt of Indian '97 added to sign
- d-LPSP same state with beaver remarque
- e—LPSP sgd by both Spenceley and Dr Cameron Print — no change from "c"

197—JACOB CHESTER CHAMBERLAIN

Decorative

In a circle in the center of a rectangular frame, one sees a map of the Western Hemisphere. The upper part of the circle is indented by an open book, with covers on which the National shield in two sizes can be distinguished just below a fluttering ribbon with "Ex Libris" and five pointed stars issuing over sprays of laurel. Below the circle, more books and parchments are seen partly hidden

by another fluttering ribbon with the owner's name in three sections.

Sgd J W Spenceley (1907)

2½ x 1½

a-LPSP - first state - sgd J W Spenceley

b-LPSP - final state - darkening retouches Print - no change

66-GEORGE S. CHAMBLISS

Described by La Rose p. 25

a-LPSP - as described

Print - no change

71-C. WILL CHAPPELL

Described by La Rose p. 27

a-SPUP - early state with pencil marks for additions

b-LPSP - final state as described Print - no change

146—CHARLES W. CHASE

Book-pile, Pictorial

Two oak branches with leaves and acorns encircle a table and shelf on which are piled a group of books and parchments. An open book in the middle has a book-mark with the legend:

"MEMNHEO EMOT"

A scroll at the base bears the owner's name under "Ex Libris." A well balanced, unframed plate. Sgd J W S 1904 3 x 2½

a-LPUP - first state - sgd J W S 1904

b-LPUP - second state - shows shading additions

c—LPSP — final state — some shading in name tablet is off

Print - no change

19-DAVID W. CHEEVER, M.D.

a—LPSP — described by La Rose p. 6 — the French motto reads "En Dieu es ma foi"

b-print mounted showing addition "JWS'97"

CHICAGO-SOUTHERN STATES ASS'N

Pictorial

Print only

This plate was engraved for a competition in 1905 and consists of four heart-shaped leaves hiding a beaded diamond frame. The leaves bear a spread-eagle issuing at top from a mass of grasses and grain-cotton plants and bales at left—barrels at a wharf, with tall masts in the distance—at right—and 1895 below sprays of laurel at bottom. The symbolical figure of Abundance with cornucopia and crown is in a middle diamond hidden by three ribbons bearing respectively: "Chicago" "Chicago Southern States Ass'n" and "Southland." Used by J W S as a sample and taken off by him in 1907.

No sign—no date

173—ATHERTON CLARK

Landscape — Pictorial

A prettily moulded frame encloses a picture of the Mayflower riding easily at anchor, with sails hanging limp, near a wooded shore. The top of the frame is decorated by a cockle shell flanked by arbutus wreaths and at the base of the frame is the owner's name on a well toned tablet.

Sgd J W Spenceley 1906

2% x 2%

- a—LPSP first state of the plate sgd J W Spenceley 1906
- b—LPUP shows tentative improvements in name tablet
- c—LPUP shows lightened surface and change in name — lettering darkened and rosettes added

d—LPSP — final state — darkened sky Print — no change

39—ALPHONSO TRUMPBOUR CLEARWATER Described by La Rose p. 14

- a—LPSP first state landscape behind portrait of gentleman
- b-LPUP preceded the sgd first state lady's portrait instead of landscape
- c-LPUP second state with motto, name and sign
- d-LPUP third state with flowers and ribands engraved
- e-LPUP same state with pencil marks for additions
- f-LPUP shows the pencil suggestions carried out
- g—LPUP slightly retouched but Balzac still spelled Balsac, as on all the foregoing
- h—LPSP more retouching and Balzac finally correct Print — no change

126—GIFFORD ALEXANDER COCHRAN

Described by La Rose p. 51

- a-LPSP first state of plate
- b-LPUP --- early state preceding the above
- c—LPSP final state

 All the above proofs are on India paper
 Print no change

88—HENRY LADD CORBETT

Described by La Rose p. 34

- a—SPUP photo-engraving blank tablet unfram-
- b—SPUP same framed with trial lettering full face slanting capitals Ex Libris only
- e—LPSP "arranged by" final state double line — slanting capitals — Ex Libris 1902 Print — no change

167—JULIA FOLGER CORSON

Landscape

- A charming etching picturing the rock and wooded coast near Nova Scotia with a point of land jutting to the right and making a sheltered cove with spruce and shrubbery suggested on both sides. On the top of the promontory is to be seen a cottage set in the midst of low woods. The calm sea and the cirrus sky indicate a fine state of summer repose. A lamp on a scroll at top and a name tablet at base, complete this pretty plate.

 Sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1005
- a—LPSP first state of plate light open two line letters
- b—LPSP final state much darker engraving lettering horizontally lined

 Print no change

208—ELLEN JUDITH CRANE

Landscape — Pictorial

Within a beaded and decorated moulded frame, another frame is seen enclosing a river and woodland scene, with a boat and bridge in the middle distance. Above the inner frame "Ex Libris" is seen under an arch which rests upon the frame and hides a rose trellis, only visible at the corners. At the base, a group of books is seen behind a scroll bearing the owner's name and half hiding two open books encircled with laurel.

Sgd J W Spenceley Sc 1908

3½ x 2½

Sgd J W Spenceley Sc 1908
This plate is not quite finished
Proofs pulled after death of artist

a—LPUP — as described Print — no change

77-MINERVA CUSHING CROCKER

a—LPSP — as described by La Rose p. 29 Print — no change

207—CHARLES PELHAM CURTIS

Armorial

Crest only—a bull's head caboshed proper. Beneath it are Ex Libris and the owner's name. In the lower right hand corner is the small craft-symbol of the firm of designers. A two line frame encloses the whole.

Etched and engraved. Unsigned 3 x 2½ (La Rose)

a—SPUP — only proof known of this label printed during J W S's illness, summer of 1908 — not signed

b—small print — June 24, 1908 — shows slight retouching of the bull crest, specially in the horns — bent and dotted in proof — straight and lined for shading in print

FRANK WILKINSON—MARY GORTON—DARLING Unfinished plate

a—LPUP — one of five trial proofs pulled in 1909 of the central picture — showing Cedar Hall — a Colonial residence with fluted Ionic columns — in a shell shaped oval — the name ribbon underneath — not engraved

Not sgd—not dated 1% x 1%. Plate impression 4½ x 3¼ In the original drawing for this plate, the central picture is just beneath and partly hiding a point of land with cedar trees and two tents to denote the name of the place where the residence was situated—Indian Point—Hampton, Va.—The lower part of the picture was to bear the name of the residence just above a panel with the joint name of the owners and flanked by wreaths of roses. The

whole was to be surrounded by a garland of laurel on a finely decorated and bevelled frame.

87—DARTMOUTH COLLEGE LIBRARY (I) (CHAMBERLAIN)

Described by La Rose p. 34

a-LPSP - as described but sgd by "I W S sc" only

b-SPUP - slight change in engraving - signature of "F G M Del" added

Print - no change

196—DARTMOUTH COLLEGE LIBRARY (II)

Armorial

In the centre, on a large shield, are the "landscape arms" of Dartmouth College, which cannot be blazoned in heraldic terms. In the upper left hand corner is a shield described by the Librarian of the College as that of Bishop Berkeley. The arms are: Azure, a mitre between three crosses pattée-fitchy argent; but as a matter of fact the Bishop of Cloyne bore: Gules, a chevron between ten crosses pattée argent. In the upper right corner is the shield of Legge, Earls of Dartmouth: Azure, a buck's head cabossed argent. Below at the left are the arms of Wheelock: Argent, a chevron between three catharine wheels sable. At the right, Webster: Azure, on a bend between a plate pierced by an arrow bend-sinisterways argent, and a demi-lion rampant ermine, a rose gules, seeded and barbed proper, inter two boar's heads erased sable. The four outer shields are connected by scrolling ribbons and branches of pine.

Etched and engraved.

Signed M D Bisbee del — J W Spenceley sc 1907

3½ x 2½ (La Rose)

- a-LPSP first state of plate sgd M D Bisbee Del J W Spenceley Sc 1907
- b-LPSP second state of plate shading behind church spire
- c-LPSP final state shows slight retouches

d—LPSP — same as above, sgd by both Bisbee and Spenceley Print — no change

194—DAVENPORT ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

Pictorial

A marbled tablet with dignified lettering is enclosed within a decorative border. Its toned background heightens the effect of the outline allegory of torches on the sides, oakleaved wreath at bottom and fruit garland at top, where a cartouche encloses an ancient lamp, below which is a ribbon with "Library of the" Beneath this ribbon is the center lettering: "Davenport / Academy / of / Sciences. / The Gift of / William / Clement / Putnam / MCMVI."

Sgd J W Spenceley 1907

3½ x 23%

a—LPSP — first and outline state of plate — horizontally lined lettering on plain tablet — frame not toned — sgd J W Spenceley 1907

b-LPUP - showing toned frame - India ink

c—LPSP — final state — marbled tablet—toned frame, hatched lettering Print — no change

186—CHARLES STEWART DAVISON

Armorial

On a large cartouche backed with scrolls and branches of pine, is an heraldic achievement, without helmet and mantling. Arms: Party per fesse, in chief: gules, a stag, trippant, or, a crescent argent for difference (?); in base: azure, a trout hauriant argent, above which an antique crown of the same. Crests: rst—a stag's head erased; 2d—a stag trippant vulned with an arrow. Supporter (at sinister): a mermaid. On a motto ribbon (at dexter) is the legend: Ex Libris piscatoriis. Above the cartouche is a row of books, and on a scroll, two fishing flies. Below is a rod, and in the grass which backs the name ribbon are a hook and a net.

Etched and engraved. Sgd J W S'06 3 x 2½ (La Rose)

- a-LPSP first and outline state of plate sgd J W S
- b-LPSP second state engraving nearly completed
- c-LPSP final state with remarque fishing basket Print, no change in plate except remarque taken off

168—CHARLES HENRY MARY LITTLE DICKINSON DEERE

Library Interior

The plate pictures the corner of a library by an elaborately mullioned window. At the right of the window seat is a book case; at the left is a handsomely carved and decorated pipe organ. A bust on a marble column, and some rugs and a tiger skin complete the luxurious interior. Above, in a small cartouche is a crest—a horse at full speed, saddled and bridled. Behind this is an Ex Libris ribbon. The names at the base are enclosed in heavy

Etched and engraved. Sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905 3% x 21/4 (La Rose)

a-LPSP - J W Spenceley, Boston, 1905 Print - no change

8-WILLIAM M. DERBY, JR.

Described by La Rose p. 3

- a-print on blue mount so mounted by J W S with his early monogram
- b-print from J W S 1907 taken off sample book No proofs exist

64—DETROIT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Described by La Rose p. 24

a-print with "Copyrighted 1899 Detroit Public Library"

b-LPSP — first state of the plate — sign in writing in a different position — J W S Sc '99

26-JOHN EDWARD DEVLIN

Described by La Rose p. 9

a—SPSP — first state of plate — outline — no lettering —not sgd

b—SPSP—second state—mantling engraved—not lettered

c-SPUP - same state with pencil additions

d-LPSP - final state - middle saltorel or - lettered - sgd J W S '97

e-small print shows changed lettering and no sign Evidently the state described by La Rose

185-MABEL ELEANOR DICK

Library Interior

A ruled frame within two single lines, contains a library picture with half curtained window through which one can see the last rays of the setting sun tinting the strate sky. There is a suggested desk at the right, book-shelves at the left and a comfortable chair with books at the fire-side. A pet dog on a rug looks into the fire and gives the life note to the whole. A plain scroll at the top bears "Ex Libris" and a fine voluted cartouche at the base bears the owner's name, surrounded by ribbons and garlands. A very effective picture.

Sgd J W S'06

a-LPSP - first state of plate - light - unsigned

b-LPSP-final state - darker - sgd J W S '06 Print - no change

85-ZELLA ALLEN DIXSON (I).

Pictorial

Described by La Rose p. 33

a-LPSP - as above

b-LPSP — same with cat remarque

c-LPUP - preceding above varieties - unsigned top circle unadorned

d-LPUP - shows this unsigned state with pencil marks for adorning circle and for shading main house and bottom decoration Print as "a"

159—ZELLA ALLEN DIXSON (II)

Landscape

A beautifully toned etching with a water-sheet in the middle foreground and distant wooded hills to the right, with a dwelling at the extreme left, in the midst of a grove of poplars and elms. The scene appears as if it were a print, outside of which is the owner's name at bottom, and blossoms at the top.

Sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905

314 × 2%

1% x 1%

a-LPSP - sgd J W Spenceley, Boston, 1905

Print - no change

Preceding the above state:

Original etching (signature in block letters erased) size of

landscape, 3% x 1/s, used for reduction

Proof before letters of reduced etching — no sign — size of landscape, 2% x 1%, as in "a"

Original etching - large size, with signature (block letters)

214—WISTERIA COTTAGE PRESS — Z. A. DIXSON **Pictorial**

The wooden house with shrubbery, picket fence, and tall elms of plate 85 are here depicted within a frame consisting of a combination of wistaria racimes and leaves and a rippling ribbon bearing the title with the Wisteria spelling.

Sgd J W S 1903

"Copyright, Zella Allen Dixson, 1903"

a-LPSP - as described

Print - no change

82—ALICE A. DODSWORTH

Described by La Rose p. 32

a-LPSP - as above

Print - no change

203-MARY E. DOWNEY

Landscape

The Egyptian sphinx is etched in the middle and left of the picture with the Pyramids in the distance. The hot sands of the desert, the perspective and the bright sky are beautifully rendered and framed appropriately with lotus stalks and blooms on the sides and base. At the top is read "Ex Libris" and at the bottom, within an unrolled scroll the owner's name appears.

Sgd J W Spenceley 1907

3%×2%

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

128—HELEN VERNERA DRAKE

Described by La Rose p. 52. Illustrated p. XVI

a-LPSP - as described

Print - no change

b-LPUP - error in spelling Vernera - "Venera"

9—TRACY C. DRAKE

Described by La Rose p. 3

a—small print — no proofs — from J W S 1907, taken off sample book

48-LEVI W. EATON

Described by La Rose p. 17

a—LPSP — as described — illustrated p. 40
Print — no remarque

LEVI F. EATON — a variety of 48

a—Print — shows change of name — Spenceley portrait remarque somewhat changed — bears moustache

72-MARY M. EMERY

Described by La Rose p. 27

- a—LPSP first state of the plate unsigned name plate with plain background
- b—LPUP second state name plate with marbled background, not sgd lamp-light retouched general shading
- c—LPSP final state name plate toned with dots sgd

Print — the plate seems to have undergone a change in shading of lamp-light

3-MARY H. FEE

Described by La Rose p. 2

- a—LPSP as described early signature plate impression $5 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ on India
- b—LPSP no change except plate cut down to 35% x 31/4
- c—print early condition mounted on blue paper by J W S Print — no change

132—FREDERICK NORTON FINNEY

Described by La Rose p. 54

- a—LPUP Early state unsgd marked by J W S No 2
- b—LPSP shows retouches especially in and around book and toning of name scroll sgd outside frame

c-LPSP - shows further shading and sign inside frame - J W S 1904 Print - no change

154-SUSAN E. P(ARSONS) FORBES

On a lozenge, framed with narrow dentelled mouldings, are the arms of Parsons of Barbadoes and London: Gules, two chevrons ermine between three eagles displayed or. The arms are surrounded by five little cartouches, one resting on the top point of the lozenge. These are filled with emblems as follows: Two oxen drawing a plough -a sickle and a flail -a hive with swarming bees - a sheaf of wheat—a rake and a scythe. Behind all these are flowers—branches of thistle at the top, and at the bottom, roses and gentians. The whole is framed in an architectural panel with name base. A very pretty plate. Etched and engraved - sgd J W Spenceley, Boston, 1905 21/4 x 2% (La Rose)

a-LPSP - as described Print - no change

193-T. HENRY FOSTER

Pictorial

Within a plain three line frame is seen a low cottage in the shelter of tall elms. On the right a mill wheel is visible with a quiet pool in the foreground. Ferns and grasses fringe the pool and fleecy clouds illuminate the whole scene. At the base, in two lines, are "Ex Libris" and the owner's name. A fine etching. Sgd J W Spenceley 1907

3 1/4 x 2 3/8

a-LPSP - as described

b-LPUP - preceding state - unsigned - middle frame line thick

Print - no change from "a"

170-CHILDS FRICK

Decorative Armorial

In a ruled frame is set an architectural tablet in classic style within which is to be seen an oval cartouche with

the well known Princeton College shield above a rippling ribbon. A stag head serves as a crest and behind it a gun is partly hidden. Books and MSS. rolls are beneath the oval and a well toned tablet bears the owner's name at the base.

Sgd J W S 1905

3 x 21/4

a-LPSP - sgd J W S 1905 Print?

169—HELEN CLAY FRICK

Decorative

An ornamental frame arched at top, encloses an upright oval delicately beaded and toned bearing the owner's name in three lines. Hiding the upper part of the oval there is a rose garland tied with ribbons and gracefully dropping at the sides from two wall pegs. At the base of the oval a classic lyre is flanked by books and music rolls and singing birds. A shell ornament with side-volutes support the frame. A beautiful and simple composition full of grace and dignity.

Sgd J W S 1905

3 X 2

- a-LPSP sgd J W S 1905 outer oval frame toned
- b-LPUP darker engvg oval frame toned all around Print ?

215—FRUITLEDGE

See Henry Rogers Winthrop

14—CHARLES FRY

Described by La Rose p. 5

- a-SPUP trial impression before insertion of motto and before change in F
- b-small print showing final state of plate No proofs of last state

127—ROBERT GORHAM FULLER

Described by La Rose p. 52

a-LPSP - as described

b-LPSP - same signed by Frederick G. Hall and J. Winfred Spenceley Sc Print - no change

199-DOROTHY FURMAN

Landscape

Cedars and oaks on a mountain side are seen on the left, a slope leading to a valley on the right, while distant hills capped by fleecy clouds and low brushes are suggested in the foreground. A folded scroll at the base bears "Ex Libris" at left, the owner's name in the middle and the artist's signature to right: J. W. Spenceley, Boston 1907. The whole is enclosed within a frame of two thin lines, broken at the base to allow a similar treatment for the name tablet.

a-LPSP - first state of plate - light - sign in square within landscape - J W S 1907

b-LPSP - second state - darker - sign on name riband J W Spenceley Boston 1907

c-LPSP - final state - toned down Print - no change

136-M. K. G[AGE]

Decorative

A literal transcript of a drawing by Mabel Carleton Gage.

Two varieties.

First-An Iris flower with long leaves half circles to the left from the base to the top, like a crescent moon; com-pleting the circle at the right are the partly interlaced initials M K G.

Second—Same as above, with delicate circular border added.

Engraved—sgd M C G Del J W S sc 1904

1% diam. (La Rose)

First variety

- a—SPUP first outline engraving from M C G's drawing
- b-SPUP same state with tentative pencil additions
- c—SPUP same state with pencil additions which were carried out Iris backgr shaded curl to end of K

All the above states are unsigned

- d—SPUP alterations engraved sgd M C G Del J W S Sc 1904
- e—SPSP shows the shading of initials Print — no change

Second variety

a—SPSP — first variety decorated with a two-line circle with waves and dots

Print?

912—JOHN HAYS GARDINER

Described by La Rose p. 36

a—LPSP — as described

Print — without signature

Large print with signature — 25 copies only

91b—ROBERT HALLOWELL GARDINER

Oaklands

Described by La Rose p. 36

a-LPSP - as described

Large print with sign — 25 copies; J W S Small print — without signature

91c-JOHN TUDOR GARDINER

Described by La Rose p. 36

a-LPSP - as described

Large print — with signature — 25 copies; J W S Small print — no signature

33-[ABRAM GARFIELD]

Last state described by La Rose p. 12

- a—LPSP first state of plate outline Cathedral nave — no frame decoration at dexter — no name remarque is a square columnated tablet
- b-LPUP transition state deep etching of groining of nave decoration on dexter frame
- c—LPSP second state of plate with name and sign, remarque unchanged — not as described
- d—LPUP— transition state name obliterated —garland remarque added replacing tablet — no line for name after Ex Libris
- e-LPSP third state of plate with dotted line added
- f—LPSP same state with autograph of Ray William Garfield Print — same as "e"

41-JAMES RUDOLPH GARFIELD

Described by La Rose p. 15

First variety

a—LPSP — with curved motto — sgd in ink — large impression of the plate Print — shows addition of engraved name and date

Second variety

a—LPSP — as described — smaller plate impression Print — no change

76—HENRY KIDDER GILBERT

Described by La Rose p. 29

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

171—GEORGE S. GOODRICH

Pictorial with Arms

At the top, in a circular frame, is pictured an imposing ruin, entitled, on the frame, "Goodrich Castle." Above it is an Ex Libris ribbon, and below, another ribbon with the owner's name. The lower half of the plate is a book pile. In front of it, at the left, is a framed coat of arms, without helmet and mantling. Arms: (cf. Goodrich, Isle of Ely, and Stanmore, Co. Middlesex): Argent, on a fesse gules, between two lions passant-gardant sable, a fleur de lis between as many crescents or. Crest: From a crest-coronet, a demi-lion rampant sable (collared or) supporting a battle-axe argent (handled gules). Motto: Fortior leone justus.

Etched and engraved. Sgd J W Spenceley, Boston 1905
3 x 2 1/4 (La Rose)

a—LPSP — sgd J W Spenceley, Boston, 1905 Print — no change

163—GRAYCROFT

Decorative

- A double two-line frame encloses a conventional rose and leaf design in a well toned background, two prominent ribbons fluttering above the flowers—the upper bears "Ex Libris" the lower "Graycroft" in shaded capitals on a plain ground. A very dignified little example of gray tone rendering.
- Sgd J W Spenceley Sc Boston 1905 2x15
- a—LPUP on India blank name riband sgd JWS Sc 1903
- b-LPUP same state sgd J W S Sc 1904
- c—LPSP name inserted sgd J W Spenceley Sc 1905
- d—LPUP No 2 of 15 proofs pulled Jan 1909 C H S

e—LPUP — shows plate after cancellation Print — as "c"

GREAT NECK LIBRARY

Unfinished plate (1908)

a—LPUP — trial proof of the copper with outline design — showing the façade of the Library in an oval set in the upper center, resting on a square picture of the Library interior, with chimney, tables and chairs. Below this central design is the title in Gothic letters. No decoration was outlined.

No sign—no date One of three impressions from the unfinished plate. Plate impression $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$, engraving $3\frac{1}{2} \times 2$

133—JAMES COWAN GREENWAY

- a-LPSP as described by La Rose p. 55
- b—LPUP preceding above state light not toned in frame — shield undivided and unshaded — not sgd
- c-print shows addition of "Book Shelf...." at bottom - lettering similar to name letter'g
- d—proof cut down with a written order to add the words mentioned in "c" — shows an intermediate state between "a" and "b"

25a—HENRY STURGIS GREW Described by La Rose p. 8

- a—SPUP early state one line shading of fesse dancetty and single line shading of name ribbon
- b—SPSP finished state two line shading on fesse and hatched shading of ribbon
- c-print same state but change in lettering of name

25b—RANDOLPH CLARK GREW

Described by La Rose p. 9

a—SPSP — as described — sgd J W S '97

b-print - shows signature obliterated

102—HALE MEMORIAL

Last state described by La Rose p. 42

- a-LPSP first state of plate large plate impression
- b-LPSP second state plate cut down one half
- c-LPSP third state ready for middle panel lettering
- d-LPUP same state with pencil additions for line frame
- e-LPUP with line frame and dotted background
- f-LPSP panel lettered no sign
- g—LPUP sgd at bottom J W Spenceley 1902 outside frame
- h—LPSP sgd inside lettered panel J W Spenceley 1902 black
- i—LPSP same state in red brown Print — no change from "h"

143—ROBERT SEVER HALE

Decorative with crest

A narrow, moulded 18th century frame encloses, at the top, a simple panel inscribed, Ex Libris / Robert Sever Hale. Beneath this, circled by laurel, is a cartouche-scroll on which, in a small, oval, beaded frame, is the crest of Hale, of King's Walden (compare plate 102). From each side of the cartouche floats a little ribbon with the motto: VERA—SEQUOR. Beneath all this is a blank space for

writing; at the bottom, held by wall pegs, swings a garland of roses and gentians. Etched and engraved - sgd I W Spenceley, Boston, 1904 21/4 x 31/4 An admirable example of dignity and simple elegance. (La Rose)

a-LPSP - as described Print - no change

50-GARDINER GREENE - ESTHER LATHROP HAMMOND

Described by La Rose p. 22

a-LPSP - last state of the plate - sign to left - red brown, three thin line letters

b-LPUP - same state - black

c-LPUP - precedes a and b - with signature at right of plate - letters are differently shaded - horizontal lines Print-no change from "a"

12-NORMAN W. HARRIS

Described by La Rose p. 4 Print - mounted - no proofs - as described

180—EDWARD STEPHEN HARKNESS

Armorial

A full heraldic achievement against a simply framed panel, the name on the base.

Arms: Azure, two bars dancetée or, the first charged with two mullets, and the last with a crescent, gules, all between three fleurs de lis argent.

Crest: A ship in distress proper. Motto: Trust in God.

Etched and engraved. Sgd J W S'06 3x21/4 (La Rose)

a-LPSP - outer frame, at bottom only, partly toned by dots - sgd J W S 'o6 - red brown

b-LPUP - same state in black

c—LPSP — horizontal line shading added to outer frame — lower part of name letters darkened Print?

135—HARVARD COLLEGE LIBRARY, VON MAUR-ER COLLECTION

Described by La Rose p. 56

a-LPSP - as described - in red brown

b-LPUP - same in orange brown

c—LPUP — same in black Print — no change

134—HARVARD COLLEGE LIBRARY, NICKERSON MEMORIAL

Described by La Rose p. 55

a—LPSP — as described with full signature at lower dexter

b—LPUP — state preceding the above with signature "J W S 1904" at lower sinister

Print — as in "a"

178—HARVARD UNIVERSITY, DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE

Decorative

This, one of the most elaborate plates etched and engraved by the artist, was designed by Fred'k Garrison Hall and consists of a broad border full of allegorical design and an inner tablet standing before two Corinthian columns, bountifully garlanded, bearing the inscription: "Library of / the / Department / of / Architecture / Harvard / University — Nelson / Robinson Fund" in three sizes of caps. The base of the columns bears a tablet with: "In Memory of / Nelson Robinson Jr." The cross-hatched border brings into relief the great diversity of decoration which outlines the allegories — amid which one sees, on top, the well known seal of Harvard University — at left, a group of

columns, partly ruined — at right, modern building operations — at bottom, a rippling ribbon with "Christo / et / Ecclesiz." Two small parchments with turned up corners, bear on the right "Gift of / Pen & Brush / Club and on the left, the signature of the designer in three lincs.

Sgd J W Spenceley 1906 4½ x 3½

a—LPSP — first state of the plate — toned — sgd Frederick Garrison Hall and J W Spenceley Sc 1906

b-LPUP - same state - not toned

c-LPSP - second state of plate - background filled in

d—LPSP — final state Print — no change

44-FRANK W. HASTINGS, Jr.

Described by La Rose p. 17

a—SPUP — as described — toned proof — from J W S framed coll'n

b—LPSP — state preceding above — buffalo head proper — unsigned

Print — as in "a" — sgd J W S '98 — buffalo head sable

161-H. O. HAVEMEYER, JR.

Pictorial with Arms

The owner's country-house is shown within a scroll-frame; above, on a cartouche, is a shield, coronet and motto: below is an open book, and beneath it the name; the whole within a formal panel.

Arms: Quarterly, sable and azure, in first and fourth a lion rampant argent. The lions follow the German rule of "heraldic courtesy" and "respect" each other.

The crest is the five-pearled one of a simple Edelmann.

Motto: Virtute et Industriae.

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Etched and engraved. Sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905
-31/4 x 24 (La Rose)

a—LPSP — sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905 Print — no change

116—HAVEN

Never finished

This plate cannot be found

It was called the "Rose Geranium" plate by Mr. Spenceley and he reported in 1907 that "it had never been finished."

158—WILLIAM F. HERRIN

Pictorial

- A fire-place and mantel-piece are surmounted by two ornamental windows on the tops of which are a lamp and a book encircled by laurel wreaths. Between the windows there is a suggestion of a painting and just above it a cartouche with "Ex Libris" set in the midst of an ornamented ribbon. The name base is topped with laurel and the whole is enclosed by a simple three line frame.

 Sgd J W S 1905

 3½ x 2½
- a—LPSP—sgd J W S 1905—bears pencil figure 3(2?)
- b—LPUP bears pencil figure I differs from above in unshaded upper windows slab in front of fire-place not so dark lettering uniformly light
- c—LPSP bears pencil figure 3 the name lettering has been darkened at bottom

 Print as in "e"

31-E. N. HEWINS

Described by La Rose p. 11

- a-LPSP as described but with ribbons unshaded
- b-SPUP fully as described toned red brown
- c—SPUP also shaded and toned as described black

Print - no change

74—MAUDE HEYWARD

Described by La Rose p. 28

a-SPSP - as described - 1900 - no sign - in green

b-small print - mounted - shows addition of sign - J W S Sc

c-SPUP - same as "a" but in very dark green

69-GEORGE HIGGINSON, Jr.

Described by La Rose p. 26

a—SPUP — first state — one copy only — portrait of Lincoln in oval — single line frame

b-LPUP - second state - landscape with bird on twig - books in outline - name inserted - no sign

c-LPSP - engraved finished without bird - no sign

d—LPSP — sign added as described Print — no change

11-NOBLE FOSTER HOGGSON (I)

Decorative

Described by La Rose p. 4

a-LPSP - as described - sgd J W S '96

b—SPSP—early condition—unsigned pencil artist's sign with the early paraphe Print—as in "a"

17—NOBLE FOSTER HOGGSON (II)

Armorial

Described by La Rose p. 5

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

147—CHARLES EDWARD HOLBROOK

Decorative

The design consists of an elaborate shield-shaped cartouche resting on a name tablet, the whole simply framed. Within the cartouche is an open book and at either side, resting on the upper edge of the tablet and partly hidden by an Ex Libris ribbon, is a little group of books. Behind all are palm branches. The owner's name, in three lines, fills the tablet; beneath it swings a garland of flowers, held at the sides by wall pegs and in the center by volutes of the panel itself.

Engraved - sgd J W S 1905

1% x 21/4 (La Rose)

a—LPSP—sgd J W S 1905

Print - no change

This copper was originally prepared by Mr. Spenceley as a sample for a stationery firm. The copper and all its impressions have been re-purchased by the Estate for the benefit of Mr. Holbrook.

30-MINNIE C. HOLBROOK

Described by La Rose p. 10

- a—LPSP first state of plate outline circle with diamond lozenge — and ribbon — palm backgr and arabesque frame
- b—LPSP second state rococo lozenge and inner circle engraving finished letter no motto unsgd
- c-LPUP same state sgd J W S '97
- d-LPSP finished state with motto
- e-SPUP same state fine early impression
- f—LPSP same state sgd by Minnie C. Holbrook and J. Winfred Spenceley
- g—small print mounted on blue paper by J W S—early print

Print - no change

1—OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES

Described by La Rose p. r Only one proof taken

a-print - mounted - early impression - from J W S sample book Print - no change

23-HOTEL TOURAINE, BOSTON

Described by La Rose p. 8

a—LPUP — as described — apparently re-engraved from Hotel owners 1909

b—small print — mounted — early impression — from JWS Print—as in "a"

114—JULIA MARION HOYT

Described by La Rose p. 46

a—LPSP — on India — as described Print — no change

192—JOSEPH HUSBAND

Pictorial

A Courtier of the 18th Century sits side-ways legs crossed in a carved and upholstered chair, his left hand on his head, his right holding a book, which he is thoughtfully perusing. Leaning against the chair is seen a well filled portfolio. At the top left a small ribbon bears "Ex Libris." Below the chair is faintly engraved "After Meissonier" and within a single line frame the name "Joseph Husband Esq." The whole is enclosed in a three line frame.

Photo-engraving arrangement. Not sgd 3½ x 2½

a—LPSP — arranged by J W S, unsgd — after Meissonier — three-line frame

b-LPUP - preceding above state - Meissonier not

mentioned — two-line frame and pencil suggestion for third and outer line

Print — as in "a"

131—MARTHA HOUGHTALING INGALLS

Described by La Rose p. 54

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

174—JOSEPHINE ELIZABETH IZARD

Decorative

An outer frame is partly filled with thistles on two sides, while the upper part is partly hidden by a cartouche with a lighted lamp. The inner frame is a Library interior with book-shelves at right and a child, sitting with a book before it, at left. A well toned name tablet is at the base.

Sgd J W Spenceley 1906

2 x 21/4

a—LPUP — sgd by J W Spenceley 1906 — pencil mark'd 1

b-SPUP - plate lightened - pencil mark'd 2

c—LPSP — child's face changed slightly Print?

141—ARTHUR CURTISS JAMES

Decorative

A plain moulded frame encloses several little pictures which are a marvel of composition. An oblong panel at the middle top displays an eagle with outstretched wings, in the shadow of which two mermaids are outlined, holding a circle in which three Yacht-Club flags flutter behind an anchor. This panel is flanked by two pretty framed pictures of the owner's yachts in full sail and under the frames are compass and sextant before swinging rope and chain. In the middle a fire-place enlivens the scene and the tiles show a distant scene of Old New York. To the left there are well filled book-shelves—the whole por-

traying the cabin of one of the owner's yachts. On the foreground ripples an effective ribbon with the owner's

Sgd J W S 1904

3 x 21/8

a-LPSP - sgd J W S 1904 Print - no change

(141—ARTHUR CURTISS JAMES)

WANDERINGS OF ALOHA

Plate preceding 141 — named on ribbon as above sgd J W S 1904

a-LPUP - similar to 141 except as to book shelves added in 141 to left of chimney piece - first state

b-LPUP - with slight retouches - second state like 141

Print - not known

201—WILLIAM JAY

Armorial, without helmet and mantling

The arms are placed against a shelf of books; on the panel at the base is the inscription: Lieut. Colonel / William Jay / Bedford.

Arms: Azure, a chevron or, in chief a sun in his splendour between two mullets argent, and in base on a rock a bird proper.

Crest: A cross-calvary azure.

Motto: Deo Duce perseverandum

Etched and engraved. Sgd J W Spenceley 1907

3 x 2 (La Rose)

a-LPSP - first state of plate - light - sgd J W Spenceley 1907

b-LPSP - last state - darkened Print - no change

100-ARTHUR FRANKLIN JOHNSON

Described by La Rose p. 41

- a-LPSP arranged by J W S as described red brown print
- b-SPUP same in black
- c-SPUP state preceding the above two before any letters

Print - no change from "a"

190—ADRIAN HOFFMAN JOLINE

Pictorial

Within a plain frame, curved at upper corners one sees a name tablet almost hidden by acanthus and laurel leaves with "Ex Libris" and the owner's name above a fruit bearing vase, below which flutters a ribbon with the motto:
"Carpe Diem," the ribbon ends surrounding masks of
Comedy and Tragedy, flanked by a woodland scene on the left and a lake and mountain landscape on the right. A group of books, autographs and a portfolio behind a lyre, at the base, complete this fine composition. 2% x 2

Sgd J W S 1906

- a-LPSP first state of plate no dots each side of Ex Libris, sgd J W S 1906 outside of frame
- b-LPUP second state dots each side of Ex Libris - motto darkened - sgd inside of frame
- c-LPUP third state shows slight retouches
- d-LPSP final state Print - same as "d"

47—EDMUND JOLLIFFE

Similar to [Albert C. Bates] 46, which see

- a—LPSP unsigned
- b-SPUP early state pencil mked by J W S as "Jolliffe before lettering" - fesse argent - lower hand slightly to dexter of Bates hand

c-SPUP - No. 3 of 10 trial proofs pulled. C H S

d-LPUP - No 12 of 15 proofs pulled Jan 1909 -CHS

e-LPUP - shows plate after cancellation No prints known

63-LOIS KELLOGG

Described by La Rose p. 23

a-LPSP - as described - sgd I W S '99

b-LPUP - state preceding above - unsigned - name scroll and frame below motto, not toned Print - no change from "a"

166-MARIA LLOYD KING

Landscape — Pictorial

A residence in the Queen Anne style is set in the midst of well shaded grounds in the center of this plate, within a simple frame, below which is a shelf with a group of books and parchment and a lighted lamp, the whole partly hidden by the name scroll at the base. The fluted columns at the top are the background for a pretty rippling ribbon with "From the Library of" in four sections.

Sgd J W S 1905

a-LPUP - early state - upper front windows in blank wall; marbled columns between book-shelf at bottom - sgd J W S 1905

b-LPSP - final state - space between windows toned - marble columns decorated (fluted)

Print - no change See "Henry Lloyd 3rd"

176-JANE SHERRILL KNOWLES

Landscape

This exquisite little picture is enclosed by a moulded frame with a top ornament partly covered by a small tablet with

"Ex Libris." Elms with over-spreading foliage shelter in the foreground a pet dog and near by a vacant chair with a book, the owner of which, one feels, cannot be far distant. The sunny middle-ground leads to a wood, behind which rise the hilly background brilliant with a cumulus sky. A torn scroll beneath the picture bears this quotation: "The world is so full of a number of things" in two lines of fancy open letters. At the base there is a broad tablet with the owner's name partly hidden by a wreath of roses.

Sgd J W Spenceley 1906

31/8 × 21/8

- a-LPSP first state of plate light; sgd J W Spenceley 1906
- b-LPSP second state of plate darker Ex Libris added under top ornament - not in "a"
- c-LPSP final state name tablet toned up in black
- d-LPUP same state in red brown Print - no change

117—PHILANDER CHASE KNOX

Described by La Rose p. 47

a-LPSP - as described Print - no change

149—GEORGE LAUDER

Armorial

Victorian square, eared shield, with tilting helm and elaborate 16th century mantling, the helmet, in profile, with the fillet projecting beyond it and the crest affronté (after the modern English manner) - the whole in a plain panel frame resting on a name base.

Arms: Gules, a griffin segeant argent within a bordure of the same.

Crest: A tower argent, from the top of which issues a man fully armed holding a lance proper.

Mottoes: (1) UT MIGRATURUS HABITA below

(2) TURRIS PRUDENTIA CUSTOS above, as a cry Engraved—sgd J W S 1905

A clean-cut, vigorous plate, interesting because of the admirable way in which the charges, motto-ribbons, and rich, graceful lambrequins fill the spaces allotted to them.

(La Rose)

a-LPSP - sgd J W S 1905 Print ?

152—GEORGE LAUDER, Jr.

Decorative - Armorial

A formal, 18th century wall-panel. On the upper ledge of the name base is a row of books. Filling the panel above is a plain oval frame within which are the arms, omitting helmet and lambrequin. The shield is square, eared at the top, and ogee based; the crest rests on an arched fillet; the motto ribbons are particularly well arranged. The arms are the same as those in plate 149.

Engraved—sgd J W S 1905 2½8 x 3 (La Rose)

a—LPSP — sgd J W S 1905 Print — no change

124—GEORGIA MEDORA LEE (I)

Described by La Rose p. 50. Illustrated p. XXIV.

- a—LPSP first state name tablet not toned no leaves in motto circle not signed
- b—LPUP—on India—name tablet toned—leaves added in motto circle—sgd inside frame J W S 1903
- c—LPUP Transition state pencil suggestions in name tablet
- d—LPSP final state sgd outside of plate; as described
 Print no change

162—GEORGIA MEDORA LEE (II) — AFTERWARDS PRESTON

Landscape

A medallion hung by a wall peg, from which, on both sides, ripples a looped ribbon, encloses, within simple line frames, a quiet lily-pond scene. The right sloping shore is fringed with tall pines and low bushes, with distant hills to the left. The inner circle of the medallion bears the motto: "The Golden Rule — The rule without exceptions" and "Ex Libris." Just beneath this, outside the frame, is the owner's name on a broad ribbon secured by rosettes on each side from which droop gracefully the ends and tassels

Sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905

2% X 2

- a—LPUP Early state landscape dark lettering light, sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905
- b—LPSP Landscape lightened up letters shaded Print — no change See Preston

(124)—MABELLE HATTIE LEE

Library window and Landscape

Plate 124 having been counterfeited, the owner substituted her daughter's name at the base, and changed some of the favorite authors to conform to the tastes of the new owner. The legend on the upper cartouche reads "All's well that ends well" in two lines.

Sgd J W Spenceley June 1905

Variety of Georgia Medora Lee 124 (1)

a—LPSP — name changed — motto altered — authors' names changed — sgd J W Spenceley June 1905

Print - no change

S—— & Co.'s counterfeit of plate of G M Lee bearing name of Nathalie Collins — a poor imitation.

119-W. B. L.(EEDS)

Described by La Rose p. 48

a—LPSP — on India — as described Print — no change

55—EVA LEWIS

Described by La Rose p. 20

- a—LPUP early state plate impression 31/4x2 unsgd, with pencil suggestions used as an "ad"
- b—LPUP plate cut down to 1½ x 2 toned additions to engraving Ex Libris and MSS—unsgd
- c—small print on Michelet paper for "ad" sgd J W S
 '99

All the above are before letters

d—LPSP — with letters Print — as "d"

80—CHARLES J. LIVINGOOD

Described by La Rose p. 31

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

(166)—HENRY LLOYD 3d

Variety of 166 with name changed to above name. No proofs — prints only.

THE LORD FUND

Unfinished plate

The only part engraved was the seal of the "Association of the Bar of the City of New York" in the center of a toned tablet with beaded and decorated frame. The seal rests on a book-pile flanked by torches, standing on a panel which bears the title, just above a laurel and oak and acorn wreath at the base.

Sgd J W S 1908 in orig. drawing Reduced to 4 x 2 %

a—SPUP — trial proof of the seal die, inserted in the space allotted to it in the reduced photo

FRANKLIN BUTLER LORD MEMORIAL 1908

Unfinished plate

The seal of the Association of the Bar of the City of N. Y.—as in the Lord Fund plate—was to be engraved at the upper center of the two-line frame tablet, enclosing a double frame panel with the title as above. The seal rests on the panel and is surrounded by a book-pile with a background of laurel leaves.

Sgd J W S 1908 in orig. drawing

4 x 2³/₄

Saw 77 5 1900 in orig. urawing

a-SPUP - trial proof of the seal die

b-photo of the reduced design

16—DUBOIS HENRY LOUX

Described by La Rose p. 5 No proofs exist

a-print mounted - from J W S sample book

b-print mounted by J W S-early monogram

38—ADÈLE TYLDEN LOW

Described by La Rose p. 14

- a—LPSP first state of plate outline book pile only engraved — no name — unsgd — plate before it was cut down
- b—LPUP lettered and sgd rococo shield size of plate reduced
- c—LPSP second state of plate rococo shield displaced by lozenge — in black brown
- d-LPUP same state in black
- e—LPUP same state with pencil suggestions not carried out, except for a change of oval
- f-LPSP final state three-line oval decorations around lozenge

g—LPSP—same state sgd by Adèle T Low and J Winfred Spenceley Print—same as "P"

83-ETHELBERT IDE LOW

Described by La Rose p. 32

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

177-PHILLIP MESIER LYDIG

Armorial

A full heraldic achievement against a simply framed panel, the name on the base, and below it the date, 1903.

Arms: Gules, a chevron argent between three sickles or.

Crest: Two wings erect gules, charged with the arms.

Etched and engraved. Sgd J W Spenceley 1906

21/4 x 11/2 (La Rose)

- a-LPUP first state sgd J W Spenceley 1906 chevrons on shield and on crest wings argent
- b—LPSP final state all chevrons shaded lettering darkened
- c—LPUP same state toned with pencil suggestion for an outer frame — not carried out Print — as in "b"

5—FREDERICK DENISON LYON

Described by La Rose p. 2 No proofs exist

- a-print mounted from J W S sample book early print not signed
- b-print mounted with J W S early monogram on blue mount

c-print mounted - sgd J W S '95 - as described d-print mounted by J W S sgd

157—MELCHOR OCAMPO MANZO

Decorative

An oval frame stands on a garlanded double base, an ancient lighted lamp hiding the base of the frame and a scroll with "Ex Libris" covering its top. The ends of a parchment are seen on the sides of the frame which bears the owner's name in three lines. A turtle-like ornament the twine is name in three interest or transfer or the top and single curved ornaments finish up the bottom. The garland of roses is flanked by laurel leaves dropping from behind the frame and the base of the lamp is hidden by the garland. A well toned, charming little bit.

Sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905

1% x 1%

- a-LPSP sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905
- b-SPUP trial proof in same state
- c-LPUP first state of plate outer oval not toned
- d-LPUP No 2 of 15 proofs pulled Jan 1909 -
- e-LPUP shows cancellation of plate Print - as in "a"

75—ALLENE LEC. MERRILL

Described by La Rose p. 28

- a-LPSP first state of plate partly outlined -sgd
- b-LPSP final state as described Print - no change

MARIA GERARD MESSENGER / FROM /

Unfinished plate

A small rectangle divided in two parts - the upper and

larger is the picture of a music room with its accessories — piano dominant — surrounded by a garland of pansies which break into the frame. Books, a three-light candelabra and a jar of flowers are resting on the piano.

The jar of flowers was the last part of the plate touched by Mr. Spenceley—the acid and the etching needle had been used on the etching ground. The lower part is a tablet with the owner's name, "from" and a line underneath—to be used for the name of the giver. Lettering and design all in outline.

Not sgd - not dated. 23/4 x 1%. Plate impression 41/2 x 21/2

a-LPUP - one of five trial proofs pulled in 1909

Original design sgd and dated 1897—in colour—was first photographed in reduced size—then again reduced. In the space between the piano and the garland, was the name of the owner, thus "Ex Libris / Miss M G Messenger."

The second design was with the same central picture—piano dominant—no garland—a book below the frame, upper part—a fluttering ribbon below the piano picture with "Ex Libris / Maria / Gerard / Messenger," seen just above a group of books, MSS. and musical instruments. The whole framed within a decorated and bevelled frame.

Sgd J W S 1907

The third and accepted design had the two sections described above — the original garland and the name tablet — with large caps — open two line letters in the unfinished copper.

198-HELEN PIERCE METCALF

Landscape - Pictorial

Within a beaded and moulded frame another is seen, oval in shape, about the middle of the plate. In this oval is pictured a lovely, placid scene of New England lake and mountain — white birch and cedar trees are in the foreground — jutting headlands in the middle and gradually rising hills in the distance, the whole scene illuminated by a brilliant sky. Lilies of the valley peep in from all four corners to look into the picture — and books, parchments, music and a lyre are grouped beneath the circle. A neat tablet at the base bears "Ex Libris" and the owner's name.

Sgd J W Spenceley 1907

2 1/8 x 2

- a—LPSP first state of plate light two-line open letters sgd J W Spenceley 1907
- b-LPSP second state lettering and landscape darkened
- c—LPSP completed plate with three-line rectangular frame
- d—LPSP state preceding above with fine tree remarque

Print - no change from "c"

99—GEORGE H. MIFFLIN

Described by La Rose p. 40

- a-LPUP first state light not sgd
- b—LPUP second state dark not sgd as desc by LaRose
- c—LPSP same condition of plate but sgd J W Spenceley Sc 1902
- d-print mounted unsigned as "b"

111—THOS. N. MILLER

Described by La Rose p. 45

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

206-MITCHELL PUBLIC LIBRARY

Pictorial

Between two Corinthian fluted columns and beneath the cornice and capital is seen the title: "Mitchell / Public Library / Hillsdale / Michigan" just above a group of books and parchments from which issue sprays of laurel. Forming the base is seen a framed panel with the legend: "From the Bequest / of / Charles T Mitchell." The whole framed in a simple, dignified style.

Sgd J W Spenceley 1908

3½ x 2½

a-LPSP - sgd as desc'd - black

b-LPUP - same state in red brown Print - no change from "a"

182-JAMES HOBART MOORE

Landscape

A beaded and bevelled frame contains an inner one with a picture of a vine-clad wall and a garden terrace, from the balustrade of which, and through tall elms, one gets a glimpse of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, with its distant low shore. At top there is a ribbon with "Loramoor" and at bottom, another ribbon with the owner's name, beneath which, a cartouche and a garland of roses, complete this charming peaceful picture. Sgd J W S '06

a-LPSP - sgd J W S '06 - dark - outer frame left blank on two sides

b-LPSP - engraving lightened - inner and outer frames darkened - sky touched up Print - no change

195—LIBRARY OF THE NEW THEATRE

Decorative. Three varieties

Within a thin two line circle there is to be seen an inner beaded circle almost hidden by a fluttering ribbon which in four sections bears the legend on the upper part of the engraving: "Library of / the / New / Theatre." From the last word issues a mirror flanked by a laurel wreath partly covering a rose garland and from beneath the mirror burst numerous rays which reach to the very top of the circle. On the right of the mirror there is a lyre and on the left, a mask of Drama. At the base another rippling ribbon bears "New York City" above an open book surrounded by laurel leaves and the whole composition is relieved by a cross-hatched background.

Sgd J W Spenceley 1907

First variety

- a—LPSP first state hatched backgr beaded and toned circle — dark lettering — mirror shaded plate impression 3½ x 35% — sgd outside of circle J W Spenceley 1907
- b-LPSP second state toned down
- c—LPSP final state mirror luminous Print?

Second variety

- a—LPSP first state outline book mirror blank — sgd J W Spenceley 1907 in two-line circle red brown — open letters — plate impression 43% x 57%
- b—LPUP same state with pencil suggestions
 This plate was used for the Dedication plate, which see

Third variety

- a—LPSP Dedication of the New Theatre N Y City
 same plate as the first plate of the Library —
 backgr toned and generally touched up sgd in
 circle two-line J W Spenceley 1907
- b-LPUP same state lighter impression

108—HORACE SWEENEY OAKLEY

Described by La Rose p. 44

- a-LPSP as described
- b—SPUP trial proof dark print Print — no change

86—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY (I). (OUTHWAITE.)

Described by La Rose p. 34

a-LPSP - as described

- b—LPUP first state of the plate not sgd lettering on top panel in open caps — laurel wreath not toned
- c—LPUP second state of the plate not sgd letters darkened wreath and other engravings toned, two lamps on name tablet not in "a"

 Print as in "a"

123—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY (II)

(WHITE LIBRARY.)

Described by La Rose p. 50

a-LPSP - as described

Print - no change

153—GEORGE HERBERT PALMER

Decorative

Designed by Bruce Rogers

The name, in three lines, is enclosed within two circling palm branches. At the top is a cockle shell; at the bottom a little ribbon, tying the palms, swings to right and left bearing the motto:

"ΠΑΤΡΙΔΑ . . . ΕΠΙΖΗΤΕΩ"

At the two ends of the branches are the letters H U, so small as almost to escape notice (for Harvard University, where the owner holds a Chair of Philosophy).

Engraved—unsigned

2½ x 1½ (La Rose)

- a—SPUP first state cockle-shell dark palm to right of knot not shaded some caps imperfect
- b-SPUP same state with pencil suggestions
- c—LPSP light cockle-shell, caps improved palm shaded

Print - no change

104—LOWELL M. PALMER (I). (FERNS.)

Described by La Rose p. 43. Illustrated p. 32

- a—LPSP first state of plate with border and other suggestions pencilled in
- b-LPSP second state border engraved
- c-LPUP same state toned up
- d-LPUP shows top retouched
- e—LPUP shows bottom retouched so mkd by J W S "4th"

All the above states are unlettered - unsigned

- f-LPSP third state of plate not sgd lettered "Lowell M Palmer" only
- g—LPSP final state as described Print — no change

109-LOWELL M. PALMER (II). (EVERGREENS.)

Described by La Rose p. 44. Illustrated in Limited Ed'n p. z

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

115—LOWELL M. PALMER (III)

Decorative

Described by La Rose p. 47

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

179—HENRY HOLLISTER PEASE

Armorial

A full heraldic achievement against a simply framed panel, the name on the base.

Arms: Per fesse argent and gules, an eagle displayed counterchanged.

Crest: An eagle's head erased argent, holding in its beak a slip of pea-haulm proper.

- Two mottoes: (above) "Sic itur ad astra" and (below)
 "Optime meruit de patria"
 (A variation of Pease of Hull, Co. York)

 Etched and engraved. Sgd J W Spenceley 1906
 3 x 21/4 (La Rose)
- a-LPUP first state; upper part of shield, name tablet &c not toned - not sgd
- b-LPUP second state (3d?) toned up generally - sgd J W Spenceley 1906
- c-LPUP marked in pencil by J W S "last" -- in red brown
- d—LPSP much darker print black upper part of shield darker than "c" Print — like "c"

56—CHARLES EDMUND — ANNA BRISTOL PECK Described by La Rose p. 20

- a—LPUP first state outlined figure, books and letters not sgd
- b-LPUP second state the state described not sgd plain name tablet letters darkened
- c—LPSP final state, brilliantly toned tablet with names — retouched — sgd J W Spenceley 1899 Print — no change

70-THE W. H. PERRY LIBRARY

Described by La Rose p. 26 - see signature

- a—LPSP first state of plate large impression 31/4 x 5 in
- b-LPSP second state of the plate cut down to 3½ x 4
- c-LPSP on India ornaments each side of "The"

and period each side of "1897" - sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1899 — not as in La Rose

d-LPSP - on Japan - same state - red brown Print - no change

57—CHARLES PFAFF

Described by La Rose p. 20

- a-LPSP first state of the plate plain Ex Libris tablet - lettering open work
- b-LPSP final state Ex Libris tablet toned letters cross-hatched Print - no change

84—HANNAH ADAMS PFAFF

Described by La Rose p. 32

- a—LPSP lower frame with name plain unsgd
- b-LPUP frame all toned including lower part unsgd
- c-print mounted shows state as described with sign below frame
- d-LPSP shows last state as described like prints

205—CHARLES PHELPS

Pictorial with Arms

In the centre of the plate, in a broad oval, is shown the country house of the owner. Above, on a cartouchescroll, backed by laurel leaves, is a square-eared-shield, crest and motto. Beneath, in a smaller oval is a picture of a terrier. The whole is in a formal frame, with fluted pilasters on a broad base, on which is engraved the owner's signature. Arms: Argent, a lion rampant sable between six crosses —

crosslet fitchée gules.

Crest: A demi lion, gorged and chained, crowned with a mural crown.

Motto: Veritas sine timore

Etched and engraved. Sgd J W Spenceley 1906

31/2 x 2% (La Rose)

a—LPSP — sgd J W Spenceley 1908 Print — no change

142—WILLIAM PIERSON MEDICAL LIBRARY AS-SOCIATION

Decorative

A plainly moulded frame bears at top the title and underneath the motto: "In Necessariis Unitas / In Dubiis Libertas / In Omnibus Caritas" the last word on each line being separated by the tree and serpent symbolism of Medicine. This symbol is the top ornament of a center panel within which is seen a complete chimney piece and accessories. Below this panel one reads in three lines: "Presented by / the family of William Pierson / 1901."

Sgd J W S 1904

3% x 2½

a—LPSP — sgd J W S 1904

b—print mounted — shows further toning up of frame &c (outer frame specially)

c-LPSP — shows the toning up of last state — like prints

202—PORCELLIAN LIBRARY

Armorial

This splendid plate, which, if we except the landscape plates, is undoubtedly Mr. Spenceley's masterpiece, combines in its design certain features of three earlier bookplates of the Porcellian Club. The full heraldic achievement, with supporters, is set in an Eighteenth Century wall-niche. Trailing from the top down the side pilasters are branches of grapes; at either side of the base are tall urns; on the tessellated floor are several books.

Arms: Vert, a boar passant argent; on a chief of the last three stars of eight points of the field. The helmet is affronté and open.

Crest: A boar's head argent (also, properly, affronté)

Supporters: Two boars proper

Motto: "Dum vivimus vivamus." Above all is the legend:
"Fide et Amicitia." There exist four states of proofs; the final ones in three colours — black, green and brown — have as a remarque a small heraldic rose.

Etched and engraved. Sgd J W Spenceley 1907 4x3 (La Rose)

- a-LPSP first state of plate sgd J W Spenceley 1907
- b-LPSP second state of plate right column crosshatched and engraving well advanced
- c-LPSP final state cross-hatching of right column nearly obliterated
- d-LPSP same state with remarque Print - as in "c"

22—WALTER CONWAY PRESCOTT (I).

Pictorial

Described by La Rose p. 7

- a-LPUP mkd by J W S "April 7 '97 first proof ret" - miniature plates unframed - sgd J W S '07 only - no shading under wreath
- b-SPUP mkd Apr 10 '97 practically as desc'd in red brown — no remarque
- c-LPUP same state in blue
- d-LPSP same state with remarque
- e-print mounted by J W S on blue paper with remarque

Prints - in both states - "b" and "d"

43-WALTER CONWAY PRESCOTT (II).

Landscape

Described by La Rose p. 16

- a—LPSP first state of plate light remarque sgd no letters
- b-LPSP second state panel and landscape advanced no lettering
- c—LPSP third state landscape ret letters inserted
- d-LPSP final state

 Prints as in "d" without remarque

162—GEORGIA MEDORA PRESTON

FORMERLY

GEORGIA MEDORA LEE (II), WHICH SEE The last name of this plate was changed as above

105-VERYL PRESTON

Library Interior

This library interior is framed with a beaded, bevelled decoration. The room is two-thirds filled with book-shelves and books appear on tables and on top of book-shelves, and above these, there are several pictures hung. A divan, chair and table with lamp, complete this attractive room. The lower part of the frame is hidden by a tablet with the owner's name and this is again partly covered by books, inkstand and quill, and a parchment bearing the Greek motto:

"ΜΗ ΛΕΖΗΣ /'Ο'ΟΥΚ 'ΟΙΣΘΑ"

Sgd J W S 1902

23/4 x 21/2

- a—LPUP plain tablet name on frame books and plain scroll at base
- b-LPUP tablet filled in with outline picture frame ret
- c-LPUP further retouches to picture not sgd
- d-LPUP retouches on wall framed pictures mainly - sgd J W S 1902

e—LPSP — final state — sgd — scroll with Greek motto

Print — no change

1 Time - no change

15—FREDERICK HENRY PRINCE

Described by La Rose p. 5 No proofs exist Print?

13—BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Described by La Rose p. 4

- a—original design mounted St Gaudens arms printed, inserted
- b-SPSP first proof of die arms only
- c-SPSP first state of plate wreath outlined
- d—SPSP final state with the words: "Shelf No...." above arms "Given by" under wreath below
- e—print mounted an early impression of a transfer used with a thin-line framed pendant with: "Bought with the income of/the Scholfield bequests" in script "No——" only at top
- Prints Arms with "Shelf No...." at top
- Arms with "No...." at top and "Given by" with line, at base

Process transfers in various conditions of plate

- Arms as in "e" but in worn out transfer showing also two separate printings for this label as shown by bad registering
- 24—HENRY SARGENT CODMAN AND PHILLIP CODMAN (Boston Public Library)

Described by La Rose p. 8

a-print mounted - no proofs - as described

209-READING CLUB-ST. MATTHEW'S SCHOOL

Libray Interior - Pictorial

Within a ruled and moulded frame is seen a Library with well filled book cases and with an open window looking into the landscape and Mount Diablo in the distance. Books are scattered on the window seat and on the table at left. Miniature pictures are distinguished flanking the window and a rug and globe complete the furnishing of the room, in the foreground of which a torn scroll with palm and poppy decorations bears the inscription:
"Norman Delarue Cox / Memorial." At top of frame a
ribbon flutters with "Ex Libris" partly hiding an open
book and the frame of an oval with "The Reading Club / St. Matthew's School / Burlingame Cal."
A very effective composition.
Sgd J W Spenceley 1908

3 1/4 x 2 1/8

- a-LPUP-first state-oval on top with nametoned with dots - sgd J W Spenceley 1908
- b-SPUP trial proof of second state top oval darkened by marbling - Mt Diablo in distant landscape touched up
- c-LPUP final proof in this state Print - no change

144—HENRIETTA ELEANOR ROBINSON

Landscape

Within a moulded frame there is a plain voluted panel with a formal garden scene which is the main feature of this plate. A low-hedged road flanked by palm bearing vases, leads to a grove of charmingly rendered trees. There is a garland of flowers at the top of the frame, held by wall pegs and partly hidden by an oval cartouche, surmounted by an Iris and bearing "Ex Libris." The ornamental panel at the base bears the owner's name in three lines with an inverted Iris at the bottom. Sgd J W S 1904 31/4 x 21/8

a-LPSP - sgd J W S 1904 Print - no change

101-ROCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY, WALTER HURLBUT BOOK FUND

Decorative

- A Library Interior within two frames, ruled and decorated, the outer frame bearing on three sides the quotation: "To know the best that / has been thought / and said in the world." At the top a voluted cartouche hides the frame and is surrounded by palms, laurel, books and MSS. The cartouche bears "Walter Hurlbut Book Fund" in two lines. A fire place and accessories are seen in the center, with palms, books and lamps and a reader sitting on a rocker. A bust of Hermes on the mantel piece, presides the scene. Beneath the figure of the man reading, flutters a ribbon with "Ex Libris" and a columnated panel at the base bears: "Rochester / Public Library" in large caps.

 Sgd J W Spenceley 1906

- a-LPUP first state figure sitting in heavy upholstered chair — sgd J W Spenceley 1906
- b-LPUP second state figure changed in face changed to light cane rocker - engraving darkened
- c-LPSP final state with slight changes in man's face - cross-hatching behind chair Print - no change

6-M. M. SANDS

Described by La Rose p. 3

- a-print mounted from an old sample-book unsigned
- b-print mounted by J W S in blue paper early print - no sign
- c-LPUP on India shows sign as described but plate impression $3\frac{1}{2} \times 2$
- d-LPSP as described plate impression 21/2 x 11/8

- e—LPUP No 2 of 15 proofs pulled Jan 1909 CHS
- f-LPUP shows plate after cancellation Print - as in "d"

62-FRANCES SANFORD

Described by La Rose p. 23. Illustrated in green p. 24

- a—LPUP precedes first sgd state both cartouche and name scroll have plain ground
- b—LPSP first sgd state cartouche and scroll are toned
- c—LPUP further retouching of cartouche and scroll. The above states bear no name — no motto — no sign — behind the blank name ribbon there are painter's palette and brushes and a lyre behind palette
- d—LPSP violin and framed print substitute palette and lyre — motto inserted, name engraved — sgd J W S 99 — not as described by La Rose — in black
- e-LPSP same state in red brown
- f-LPUP same state in green Print - no change

54-ROBERT SCOVILLE - HERBERT SCOVILLE Described by La Rose p. 19

- a—LPSP first state of plate upper part outlined name tablet engraved without frame names inserted
- b-LPUP same state with pencil suggestions
- c-LPSP second state of plate picture and accessories all in lightly engraved sgd

d—LPSP — as described Print — no change

181—ISAAC N. SELIGMAN

Landscape — Pictorial

- A beaded frame within a moulded outer frame, contains two beautiful landscapes divided by a scroll with the motto: "Vincit Amor Patriæ." The upper picture is of the Hudson River and the Highlands with a background of fleecy clouds. The lower is of a quiet woodland scene with a rippling brook falling into a pool in the foreground. At the top, two scrolls bear "Ex Libris" and the owner's name, while at bottom, another scroll reads: "Willow Brook." Beneath the scroll are seen a group of books, a painter's scroll at right both sides being decorated by convolvuli in bloom and bud. A very fine and successful composition.
- Sgd J W Spenceley 1906

3.X 2

- a—LPSP first state outline lettered motto (error Armor) lightly engraved sgd J W Spenceley 1906
- b-LPSP second state motto lettering and plate generally darkened
- c-LPSP third state slightly retouched
- d—LPSP fourth state and final, save as to error (Armor)
- e—LPSP—final state with correct spelling of Amor Print—no change

101—A.[DELAIDE] M. S.[MITH]

Described by La Rose p, 41

- a—LPUP early state outline no name unsgd — toned — plate impression 4 x 3
- b—LPSP plate before lettering plate impression 23/8 x 27/8 — sgd J W S 1902

c-LPSP - final state as described Print - no change

32-ANDREW SMITH

Described by La Rose p. 11

- a—LPUP early state figures in outline no sign light name Cranshaw
- b-LPUP -- plate further advanced -- Cranshaw -- sgd J W Spenceley Sc 1897
- e—LPSP—final state in black Cranshaws—date after sign erased — as described
- d-LPSP same state in red brown Print - no change

130-CHARLES STEWART SMITH

Described by La Rose p. 54

- a—LPUP preceding sgd state light engraving sgd
- b-LPSP as described dark Print - no change

68-GRACE ANDERSON SMITH

Described by La Rose p. 26

- a—SPUP trial proof mkd by J W S "1 state No 1"
 no lettering mostly in outline sgd J W S 99
- b—LPUP precedes first sgd state plate impression 4 x 5 1/4 — name inserted
- c-LPSP first state before lettering in lozenge plate cut down to 31/4 x 35/8 on white p
- d-LPUP same state in Japan p mkd by J W S
 "3d state No 1"

- e—LPUP precedes final state mkd by J W S "4th state No 1" motto inserted cartouche toned
- f—LPSP final state cartouche further toned up Print — no change

51—HENRY A. SMITH

Decorative

Within a toned, bevelled frame and relieved by laurel leaves at base and acanthus leaves at top, appears a torn roll, the upper part of which, bears in two lines—"Ex Libris Henry A Smith," beneath which is seen an open book, surrounded by a laurel wreath. Designed by E. D. French. Not signed—not dated—(Feb. 4th 1899)

1/4 x 1/8

- a-original pen and ink design by E D French --- signed
- b—LPSP first state with signature J W S Sc below frame afterwards erased only three proofs
- c—SPSP final state sign erased and a few retouches made sgd by E D French del and J Winfred Spenceley Sc on white porous paper with this pencil note on back "This is the only proof signed by both artist and engraver J W S"
- d-LPSP final state from J W S on heavy cream laid batonné paper
- e—LPUP—same state—on Japan paper—from Estate E D F Print—no change

156-MARY NIXON SMITH

Decorative

A pretty little cartouche is covered by two ribbons, the upper and smaller one, swinging from the top volutes, bears "Ex Libris," the larger is inscribed with the owner's name. At right and left are four-leaved clovers. On

the lower ledge of the simple, broad frame are several books; a volume stands open before them and covers the base of the cartouche.

Etched and engraved - sgd J W Spenceley, Boston, 1905 2x1% (La Rose)

a—LPUP— light — no top ornament — sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905

b-LPSP - final state - top ornament added - darkened

Print - no change

4-RALPH OLIVER SMITH

Described by La Rose p. 2

a-print mounted by J W S and sgd with early monogram — engraving light — unsgd — Arabic letters plain black

b—LPUP — on India — darker and finished engraving — sgd as desc — Arabic motto letters surrounded by thin line

c-LPSP - same state in Japan p

d—LPUP — No 2 of 15 proofs pulled Jan 1909 — CHS

e-LPUP - showing plate after cancellation Print - as in "c"

148-E. L. W.-W. M. S.[MITH]

Library Interior with arms

In the centre, in a plain oval frame, is shown the wall of a library between two doors. A broad book case is surmounted by a pair of vases and one or two smaller objects; above hangs the portrait of a lady. At either side of this oval are two rococo shields with crests. That at the left is: argent, on a bend sable three plates.

Crest: A greyhound's head erased (proper), collared argent.

- Motto: Alta Pete. That at the right is: gules on a chevron argent three stags heads erased of the field, a chief ermine.
- Crest: A dexter arm habited ermines (?), the hand grasping a stag's head erased argent. From behind these shields spring fronds of lily of the valley.

 Etched and engraved. Sgd J W S 1905 3x2 (La Rose)
- a—LPSP first state figure of lady in portrait, dark — sgd J W S 1905
- b-LPUP second state light
- c-LPUP third state retouching of figure
- d—LPUP final state so mkd by J W S
 Print no change

SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS IN MASSACHUSETTS

Pictorial

- The title in five lines is seen above a decorative frame within which is a beaded oval enclosing the picture of the Mayflower at anchor, sails hanging limp, a boat near by, in a placid harbour. This oval is decorated with palms and arbutus at base and with crest and motto at top. The crest is a man's arm issuing from a fillet, hand holding a sword, with a fluttering ribbon beneath: "Ense Petit Placidam Sub Libertate Quietem." Below the frame is "Presented by" and two lines. The thin outer frame is nearly worn off the plate.
- Not sgd not dated. Plate prepared for a prime competition in 1897 ERROR "DESCENDENTS" 4% x 3
- a—LPUP unframed light engraving no lines under "Presented by"
- b-LPUP same state with pencil suggestions for frame and lines
- c-LPUP dotted lines antd thin frame added green print

- d-LPUP same state dark brown print
- e-LPUP same state in black CORRECT READING OF DESCENDANTS
- a-LPUP printed in dark brown on Japan paper
- b-LPUP printed in toned black on thick plate paper
- c-trial proof on white plate paper five proofs pulled 1909

Print - unknown

138—SAMUEL STRONG SPAULDING

Decorative with book-pile and crest

Within a fine Georgian frame with corniced top and broad tablet base is shown a group of books and parchments against a panelled wainscot. Above these on a shield-like-cartouche, flanked with laurel branches, is the crest — an elephant's head, crowned and below it the motto: HINC MIHI SALUS. Beneath the books, from either side of the frame swings a rich garland of roses bound with crossed ribbons. The name of the owner, in two lines, fills a raised panel at the base.

Etched and engraved - sgd J W S 1904

21/4 x 21/8 (La Rose)

- a—LPUP early sgd state — outlined — not Spaulding without ornaments
- b-LPUP darker engraving sgd J W S 1904 ornaments each side of Spaulding
- c-LPSP final state slight retouches Print - no change

212—CLARE HOLBROOK SPENCELEY

Decorative

Within a ruled and line frame a beautiful rose wreath encircles a well toned oval with the owner's name in three lines of open letters through the middle of which curls the smoke from a lamp of ancient shape resting at the

base of the oval. The wreath is secured by wall pegs above tied ribbons which flutter in and around a voluted cartouche at the base of the frame. In this cartouche and within a simple line oval is "XIV / September / MCMV-." The corners of an inner frame are suggested beneath this cartouche and under the wreath.

Sgd J W Spenceley 1907

* See note at foot of 210

31/4 × 21/4

- a—LPUP first state, mainly in outline two-line frame sgd J W Spenceley 1907
- b-LPUP same state with pencil suggestions for add'l line frame
- c—LPUP second state add'l line frame fully retouched
- d-LPUP same state with trial frame in colour
- e—LPUP same state with suggestion for an extension of the corners to inner frame cross-hatched
- f—LPUP same state N Y trial proof one of 5 before letters
- g-LPUP trial proof in white paper
- h—LPUP final state in Japan paper Print — no change

10—J. WINFRED SPENCELEY (I)

Armorial

- a—LPUP on India early state of plate without sign
- b—print mounted by J W S on blue paper with his early monogram early impression of unsgd state
- c-print mounted without sign

- d—LPSP second state as described, with sign J W S
- e—LPUP one of three trial proofs pulled in 1909 with sign Print with sign unknown in 1909

18-J. WINFRED SPENCELEY (II)

Pictorial

- a—SPUP—first outline of plate—no letters—with fountain
- b—LPUP—second state—engraving forwarded no letters
- c—LPUP third state no sign fountain erased —
 Arabic motto no other letters
- d-LPUP -- fourth state -- with shield replacing fountain -- lettered and sgd '97
- e-print mounted by H E Deats who rec'd it from J W S - embossed Latin inscription replacing shield
- f—large print mounted by H E Deats—received from J W S—with inscription engraved on plate, as described
- g—LPUP special printing of a marginal record thus: "No.... of thirty special proofs" — large plate impression
- h-LPSP on India from sale of H E Deats large plate imp'n
- i—LPSP on Japan same state copper plate cutdown — impression smaller

j—LPUP — same state — one of three trial proofs showing condition of the plate in 1909 Print — as in "f"

MEMORIAL PLATE

Decorative

The bold initial monogram J W S is in the center of a well toned background with a ribboned palm engraved athwart the frame which also bears "Chocorua N H" at top and "October XVII" at base. Another frame shows tablets with "In Memoriam" and "MCMVIII" above and below the inscriptions of the inner frame. A third and outer frame completes the plate, with corner rosettes and trumpets of fame on two sides. All the frames are plain two line frames, the inner one with the monogram having been left intact—as the work of J W S—by the artist who carried out the design of J M Andreini.

Not dated—not sgd—(1906-1909)

- a—check-list of J W S book plates 136-172 showing this plate with a single line frame used as a vignette
- b—check-list 173-204 showing the plate with two-line frame
- c—LPUP same condition one of 5 proofs pulled in 1909
- d—LPUP design added around monogram error of date XVIII instead of XVII one of six proofs with light background
- e—LPUP final state with correct date and darker background
 Print no change

211—RICHARD COLBY SPENCELEY

Book-Pile

A little gem of a book group — the back row standing, the front row set both closed and open on a table with let-

ters and prints and inkstand and quill accessories, beneath which is "Ex Libris" and the owner's name.

Sgd J W S 1904

* See note at foot of 210

- a—cut down proof mounted shows first condition of the plate not sgd left leaf of open book, blank
- b—SPSP—second state—sgd J W S 1904—left side of book engraved—as it was used in vignette of La Rose book
- c—LPUP trial proof one of 5 showing wear of plate
- d—LPUP first trial proof on white paper of plate after lettering and retouching
- e—LPUP final proof on Japan paper Print — no change

172—FREDERICK STARR

Landscape — Pictorial

This is a Mexican poem in seven pictures. The heavy frame of the inner portion encloses, on top, a panel with a line frame picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe, on the left—a beaded circle with the bust of a native Indian in the middle and an Aztec idol within a line frame to the right. A distant view of the snow-clad Orizaba peak is in an oval frame in the middle, the foreground depicting the stream and forest of Mexico. This middle oval is set in the midst of palms and cacti, beneath which are seen, on the right, the portrait of President Diaz, on the left that of the late President Juarez and in the middle, the Aztec Calendar stone which one finds against the wall of the Cathedral of Mexico.

Fluttering about the stone is a ribbon with "Ex Libris Mexicanis" in two sections and below this ribbon is the owner's name in a narrow thin-line-framed tablet. With thin-line outside border is the signature: "J W Spenceley Boston 1905" and outside "Copyright Frederick Starr 1905."

- a—LPSP first state of plate light sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905
- b-LPSP second state name background marbled, other ret
- c—LPSP third state new frame enclosing sign thin line name enclosed in tablet
- d—LPSP fourth state name tablet toned other
- e—LPSP final state with copyright addition under frame — portraits ret Print — no change

49—MARIANNE BEERS STERLING MEMORIAL Described by La Rose p. 18

a-print mounted - no proofs - as described

93—REDMOND CONYNGHAM STEWART

Described by La Rose p. 37

a—LPSP — toned — as described Print — no change

52—EDWARD S. STICKNEY

Decorative

Designed and partly engraved by E. D. French on the upper part—advanced by J W Spenceley and nearly finished, except the head of Hermes which was finished by E D French, April 2d, 1899.

A beaded and bevelled frame contains an inner one with

A beaded and bevelled frame contains an inner one with wavy and irregular background and bold graceful leaves of acanthus surrounding and partly covering a decorative tablet with "Ex Libris / Edward Swan Stickney," above which is seen a lighted torch with a fluttering ribbon with the motto: "Vita Sine / Literis / Mors Est" mingled with laurel leaves. Resting on the base of the inner frame one

sees a group of books, MSS., musical instruments—flute, lyre, violin and organ—to the right—and the bust of Hermes partly hidden by a painter's palette and brushes on the left. Below the frame there is a tablet with cusped corners (three) bearing the inscription: "Presented to the Chicago / Historical Society by / Elizabeth Hammond Stickney / Obit July XI MDCCCXCVII."

Sgd E D French Sc 1898

4 x 25/8

- a—LPUP—first state as it was sent by E D French to J W Spenceley to be finished—upper portion partly engraved—the rest outlined—name tablet engraved—sgd
- b—LPSP second state as it was advanced by J W
 Spenceley with this pencil note signed by him:
 "This Stickney plate was commenced and about half
 completed by Mr. French, when on account of illness
 he asked me to complete it, excepting the Hermes.
 This proof shows the plate as I left it. J Winfred
 Spenceley"
- c—cut down proof signed and inscribed by E D French thus: "E D French with thanks for help received" showing the bust of Hermes and acanthus decoration retouched proof mounted by J W S
- d—LPUP—final state—further retouching of Hermes—from estate E D French Print—no change

187—ALICE R. STUDEBAKER

Pictorial

A gracefully voluted cartouche within a bevelled frame, contains an open book on a toned background, the cartouche hiding a book-shelf, from which sides issue pine needles and cones and rose garlands, the latter of which decorate each side of the tablet beneath bearing the owner's name in three lines. Voluted supports at base complete this dignified little picture.

Sgd J W S 1906

21/4 x 21/8

a-LPSP - sgd J W S 1906 Print - no change

137—SUNDAY SCHOOL, FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CHICAGO

Decorative

On a finely decorated frame rests, midway, a panel bearing the title in three lines—the third line being flanked by pairs of Maltese crosses. This panel hides an oval from the upper part of which rises a lyre-shaped cartouche with a church and spire, beautifully toned. Three ribbons float about the lyre cartouche—the upper bears "Founded in," the middle one in two sections "Fort Dearborn / June 26, 1833." At the base is the motto: "DEO DUCE." At the base of name panel there are laurel decorations issuing from the volutes of the oval cartouche and beneath the volutes "No.——"

Sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1904

3 x 21/4

a—LPSP — sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1904 Print — no change

89—MARY FLORENCE TAFT

Described by La Rose p. 35. Illustrated p. 48

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

97-MATTHEW HENRY TAYLOR

Described by La Rose p. 39

a-LPSP — first state of plate; light

b-LPUP - second - transition state - dark

c—LPSP — final retouches Print — no change

45—TEACHERS COLLEGE — BRYSON LIBRARY

Described by La Rose p. 17

a—LPSP — as described, save as to sign — none appears
Print — as above

103—MAUD TEAHON

Described by La Rose p. 42. Illustrated p. 8

- a-LPSP plate before lettering
- b—LPSP after lettering as described Print — no change

106—ETHEL RANDOLPH THAYER

Described by La Rose p. 43

- a—LPUP first state unsigned curls after L's not toned around sphinx
- b—LPSP final state as described toned around sphinx curls after the L's erased Print no change

53—MATHILDE E. THEBAUD

Described by La Rose p. 19

- a—LPSP first state of plate inner tablet not engraved books in outline not sgd
- b—LPSP second state inner engraving partly done unsgd
- c-LPUP mkd by J W S "2d state 4th ret"
- d-LPSP third state frame and inner tablet advanced books included sgd J W S '99
- e—LPSP final sgd state, as described see "Les Miserables"
- f-Print writing on Les Miserables at base, changed to a printed page

110—GEORGE CLIFFORD THOMAS

Described by La Rose p. 44

a-LPUP -on India - first state - in outline

- b-SPUP same state on blue paper
- c—LPSP final state as described Print — no change

160—LINDA THOMAS

Decorative

- A plain oval frame on latticed background, encloses a shell-like cartouche half-filled with roses. From volutes at base, issue two garlands of roses, which swing above the tablet bearing the owner's name in two lines. Looped ribbons cover partly the upper lattice frame and flower ornaments are seen at the base. The whole is enclosed by a simple two line frame.
- Sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905

3 x 2 1/4

- a—LPUP early state engraving rather dark —sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905
- b—LPSP last state retouchees light shell Print — no change

2-H. C. M. THOMSON

- a—Print mounted early light impression no sign taken from J W S sample book
- b—Print mounted by J W S with his early monogram dark print no sign
- c-LPUP on India sgd as described
- d-LPSP on Japan as described
- e—LPUP No 2 of 15 proofs pulled Jan 1909 CHS
- f—LPUP shows plate after cancellation Prints — both states

94-WINFRED PORTER TRUESDELL

Described by La Rose p. 37. Illustrated p. XXXII

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

40-20TH REGIMENT, M. V. I.

Described by La Rose p. 15

a—LPSP—as described save as to sign—the initials of L L H appear below wreath at right—sgd by Lois L Howe and J W Spenceley Sc

b-Print - no change - also with initials as above

107-UNIVERSITY CLUB OF CHICAGO

Described by La Rose p. 43

a-LPSP - mkd by J W S as "1st" - nearly as described - i dotted with comma

b—SPUP — final state — only changes are slight retouches and the dot on the i of Chicago which is curved as on the other i's in plate Print—no change

151—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Spinello Memorial

Decorative

A long inscription, admirably arranged in an architectural frame. At the top, backed by a draped curtain is a broad, oval, beaded frame, holding the inscription (the first three words on a ribbon scroll) "Library / of the / / University / California." The panel beneath is filled as follows: "In Memoriam / Marius J Spinello / 1874-1904 / Instructor in Romance / Languages in the / University of / California / 1902-4." At the base, flanked by books and surmounted by two beautifully drawn

palm branches, is a small panel engraved: "Ex Dono Amicorum." Engraved, sgd J W Spenceley, Boston 1905 21/2 x 31/2 (La Rose)

- a—LPSP—sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1905; tablet with "Ex Dono Amicorum" is cross-hatched with corner ornam's
- b—LPUP preceding above state tablet shaded with lines no ornaments

 Print as in "a"

145—LIBRARY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Armorial — Pictorial

- A double moulded frame encloses a small and a large cartouche and a tablet. The small, upper one bears the University seal and motto. A book behind a lighted lamp with ribbons fluttering around the heart-shaped cartouche with "1837" at top and "Artes," "Veritas" and "Scientia" at left, base and right, respectively. The center circle bears the full coat-of-arms of the State of Michigan, flanked by pine-needles and cones. The garlanded-tablet at base was purposely left in blank for the use of the different Departments of the University.

 Sgd J W Spenceley 1004
- a—LPSP first state of plate center oval blank no sign
- b—LPSP second state center engraved light sgd J W Spenceley 1904
- c—LPSP final state Print — as in "c"
 - A number of dies were engraved for the Departments in the University and for special gifts:—
- a—LPUP Small tablet decorated in the same style as the regular plate, with "The Gift of / W C Mc Millan" — Boston print

b—LPUP — the same tablet — one of 5 proofs pulled in 1909 — N Y print

Process print showing the regular plate, with this tablet as a pendant.

Process print showing the same tablet border with the name taken off—only "The Gift of"—as a pendant to the regular plate.

c-LPUP — die for the "Homoeopathic / Library" — one of 5 proofs pulled in 1909

Process prints — two colours — with above title in the blank tablet of the original plate.

3½ x 2½

d—LPUP — copper die with "Dental / Library" and "Morphological / Laboratory" engraved dos-à-dos — one of 5 proofs pulled in 1909

Process print with "Dental / Library" in blank space — the M L print exists also.

e—LPUP — from Copper with four dies — two normal — two upside down — "Reading / Room" and "Department / of / Engineering"—normal—and "Class Library" and "Department / of Law" — upside down

Process prints from the transfers — with above titles in the space below the State arms.

Process print of a reduction from the regular plate. 1%x1% Process reduction in use on envelopes. 1\%x1\%

Engraved prints with trial proofs of two dies

Large letter die transfers

67—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Three-line tablet

Described by La Rose p. 25

a-LPSP - first state of plate - mainly in outline

b-LPUP - second state - center engraved - no sign

c—LPUP — third state — so mkd by J W S --- sgd J W S '99 inside tablet

d-LPSP - final state as described - sign in full-outside frame Prints - see next page

67—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Two and one-line tablets

- a-Print mounted one-line tablet printed in Mexico — no proofs — sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1899 inside tablet
- b-Print mounted shows above plate with Law Library addition probably from die — as a trial of the plate
- c-LPUP two-line title sgd as above "Library of the / University of Missouri
- d-LPUP one of 5 trial proofs pulled in 1909 copper die - "Law Library" - specially engraved for insertion in "b" which see

Prints - Three-line tablet

The Litton plate bears J W Spenceley Boston 1890 in full Prints with "The Gift of" have the name partly erased or entirely obliterated

Prints with "The Gift of / Honorable / George Graham Vest / 1903" have signature partly erased Two-line tablet

"Law Library / University of Missouri"
Process print — full size — evidently from transfer of "b" No signature

"Library of the / University of Missouri"

Process print — reduced size — 3½ x 2½ — no sign Process print — further reduction — 2 x 1% — no sign Both transfers from "c".

34—MARGARET VAN ZANDT

Described by La Rose p. 12

a-LPSP - first state of plate - no letters - curtained sunset window - sgd as described

- b-LPUP precedes above state engraving light
- c-LPSP final state latticed window; no sunset
- d—SPUP same state but toned Print — no change

42-WILLIAM C. WAIT

Described by La Rose p. 15

- a—LPSP first state outline with pencil suggestions unsgd
- b—LPUP second state border suggestions carried out not sgd
- c—LPSP final state sgd as described Print — no change

141—WANDERINGS OF ALOHA

See Arthur Curtiss James

140-EZRA J. WARNER

Decorative

- A plainly moulded oblong frame encloses a bold, oval cartouche, within which is engraved "Ex Libris" and the owner's name. On the lower scroll of the oval is OAK-HURST. Circling the frame of the cartouche are sprays of oak-leaves and acorns. On the lower edge of the outer frame rests an open book, also backed by oak-leaves.

 Engraved—sgd J W S 1904 2x21/4
- a—LPSP sgd J W S 1904 Print — no change

204—WASHINGTON COUNTY FREE LIBRARY, HAGERSTOWN, MD.

Decorative

A portrait is seen in an oval frame in the upper center of the plate, with this lettering around the oval frame: "Ben-

jamin Franklin Newcomer — 1827-1901." This oval frame is flanked by decoration of wheat and corn forming the background of a frame which rests upon a small oblong panel containing the title: "The Washington County / Free Library — Hagerstown / Maryland — MDCCCCI" Beneath this panel is "No...." and above the oval frame and almost hiding it is the motto: "Knowledge is Power" in a curved scroll. Acanthus decorations appear at base of the oval and among them is seen the signature E D F in a monogram and 1902.

- a—LPUP early state of portrait not accepted —
 "No." on thin-line open letters and dated in pencil by
 E D F Feb 13 1903
- b—Cut down proof of another portrait essay with "No." shaded and lined pencil date by E D F June 17
- c—LPUP Portrait accepted sent to J W S with E D F stamp date Sep 8 1905
- d—LPSP Electro plate with portrait inserted as in "c" with this pencil note: "Electro plate by E D French. As it came to me to complete portrait and background. (Sgd) J Winfred Spenceley" "original border but new portrait" Rec'd Jan 11 1908
- e—LPSP final state with this pencil note: "Proof of electro as completed by J Winfred Spenceley" Rec'd from him Jan 11 1908

Print — as in "a" Print — as in "e"

183—ELEANOR WHITNEY WATSON

Armorial

A lozenge suspended from a bow of ribbons and garlands of flowers; at the base a shell with scrolls. A charmingly designed plate.

Arms: Barry of six, gules and argent, three crescents er-

mine; on a chief of the second two broken lances in saltire of the first.

Motto: Ferio Tego

Etched and engraved. Sgd J W Spenceley 1906

3 x 2 (La Rose)

- a—LPUP first state light simple shading of shell no dot on i sgd J W Spenceley 1906
- b—LPSP second state shell darkened by crosshatching — no dot on i
- c-LPUP final state with dot on i Print — no change

184—MARGERY WILLARD WATSON

Armorial

See No. 183 for description

a—LPSP — follows the last state of E W W of which this is the exact copy — sgd J W Spenceley 1906 Print — no change

92—JOHN WINGATE WEEKS

Described by La Rose p. 36

a—LPSP — as described Print — no change

96a—BERTHE L. WELCH

Described by La Rose p. 39

- a-LPUP first state outline lettered not sgd
- b—LPSP second and final state of this plate name shaded sgd as described

Print - no change

Print mounted — shows obliteration of above name — blank tablet

96b—A. WELCH

a—LPSP — follows second state of Berthe L Welch — sgd
Print — no change

96c-BERTHE L. WELCH

Changed by the owner to B d'ALTÉ WELCH

a—LPUP — impression on large Japan paper showing the above change — sgd Print — no change

65—CHARLES GODDARD WELD

Described by La Rose p. 24

- a—LPSP as described sgd J W S '99 in pencil no outer line in crescents
- b—LPSP second state with darker shading on fesse — one and two line shading of crescents — sgd J W S Sc '99 in ink

Print — as in "b" — shows obliteration of engraved sign Print — with pencil remarks by Dr. Weld

60-J.[ULIA] B.[RADFORD] W.[HITE]

Described by La Rose p. 22

- a—LPSP first state (Cat variety) shading about iris dark slanting book
- b—SPUP second state white circles around iris
- c—LPSP final state (jar variety) iris as in preceding state — sign in white background — books all upright

Print-jar variety as described

90-FRED ERWIN WHITING

a-LPSP - as described

b-LPSP - sgd also by designer E B Bird Print - no change

73—WILLIAM WHITING

Described by La Rose p. 28

a-SPSP - as described - in black

b—SPUP — same in green Print — no change

95-MARGARET F. G. WHITNEY

Described by La Rose p. 38

a-LPSP - first state of plate before it was cut down

b-LPUP -- plate after it was cut down -- engraving light -- dark brown

c-LPUP - same state in red brown

d-LPSP - same state with remarque

e-LPSP - final state showing light retouches

f-LPSP - also sgd by designer Bertram G Goodhue Print - no change

214—WISTERIA COTTAGE PRESS

See Zella Allen Dixson

58—ADRIENNE ADAMS WICKHAM

Described by La Rose p. 21

a-LPUP - first state - so mkd by J W S - lettering very light - not sgd

b—LPSP — thicker lettering — sgd J W S '99 — as described

- c—SPSP Mexico print landscape variety sgd as described
- d—Print mounted shows erasing of names under shields light print

 Prints as in "b" and "c"

50—BESSIE H. WILLIAMS

Described by La Rose p. 18

- a-LPSP as described
- b-Print mounted shows ret dark Ex Libris and shading of the scroll bearing German quotation

122—LUCY WHITE WILLIAMS

Described by La Rose p. 49

a—LPSP — as described — "Imbecile" corrected
Print — no change
— ERROR —

The above state is preceded by several with "IMBICILE"

- a—LPUP light quotation slightly toned frame incomplete not signed
- b-LPUP on India quotation fully toned frame completed sgd J W Spenceley 1903
- c—LPUP final state with the error Print — no change

20—WILLIAM CARVER WILLIAMS, M. D.

- a—LPSP as described sgd J W S 1897 printed in green thick caps for quotation
- b—Print mounted by J W S on blue paper early impression

- c—LPUP No 2 of 15 proofs pulled in Jan 1909 CHS
- d—LPUP shows plate after cancellation Print — no change from "a"
- e—SPUP state preceding "a" double line letters on plain backgr — sgd with early monogram J W S 1897

Prints -- unknown

• The W C Williams copper and eight others were found in the possession of the Estate at Mr. Spenceley's death. The nine coppers were cancelled by the Estate in January, 1909.

120—HENRY ROGERS WINTHROP

Described by La Rose p. 48

- a-LPSP as described sgd I W S 1903
- b—LPUP first state preceding above so mkd by J W S crest light shield backgr plain chevrons shaded with lower line dexter "a" has line shading both sides of chevrons sign faint Print no change from "a"

215—FRUITLEDGE — (HENRY ROGERS WINTHROP)

Pictorial

A beautifully drawn picture of an apple tree, with gnarled trunk and branches and loaded with fruit. At base, the title in block caps.

Not sgd (1906—Nov. 15)

11/4 x I

a—LPUP — as described — not sgd Print — no change

98—MARIE WINTHROP

Described by La Rose p. 40. Illustrated p. 16

- a—LPSP first state of plate light engraving inner frame of lozenge plain chevrons without the lower line shading sgd I W S 1902
- b—LPSP last state with inner frame toned chevrons first and third lined darkened dark brown
- c—LPUP same state as above red brown Print no change from "b"

61—WOMAN'S CLUB OF WISCONSIN (I)

Described by La Rose p. 23

- a-LPUP first state unsgd Athena not engraved
- b-LPSP final state sgd as described
- c-LPUP printed on side for pamphlet use
- d-Print mounted used by J W S to engrave plate of 1906

Print - no change

Differences — Pearl drop from top ornament to Athena oval — notch on lower ornament — shading of right side of lyre — all in 1899 — absent in 1906

175—WOMAN'S CLUB OF WISCONSIN (II)

Decorative

This follows closely the 1899 design. The frame of Athena is not beaded in the plate of 1906 and there are other differences, noted in list of states.

Sgd J W Spenceley Boston 1906

31/4 x 21/2

a—LPSP — follows design of 1899 plate save in the three particulars, among others of less note, mentioned in No 61, which see

Print — no change

164—FRANCIS GREGORY WOOD

Pictorial

Within a frame shaded at the corners of the oblong, there

is a double line oval, in the midst of which, resting on a table, stands upright an ancient bound volume with silver mounts and clasps. The oval frame bears the in-scription: "Some worth in the booke" and a single line tablet at the base of the oval, bears the owner's name. A very simple dignified plate.

Sgd J W S 1905

21/2 X 13/4

- a-LPSP dark print sgd J W S 1905
- b-LPUP lightened up faint sign Print - as in "b"

27-FRED H. C. WOOLLEY

Described by La Rose p. 9

- a-LPSP first state of plate two-line open letters - no sign
- b-LPSP second state letters shaded unsgd
- c-LPSP final state name tablet toned "No." added - sgd as described
- d-Print mounted on blue paper by J W S early impression

Print - no change from "c"

125--HENRY AND ALICE YOUNG

Described by La Rose p. 51

- a-LPUP first state light engraving curtain not toned - sgd J W S 1903 - on India
- b-LPSP final state curtain and the engraving generally darkened — as described — on India Print - no change from "b"

129—ANDREW CHRISTIAN ZABRISKIE

- a—LPSP as described Print — no change
- 113—THE ZETA PSI CLUB

- a—LPSP first state of plate left bear not engraved not sgd
- b—LPSP second state of plate standing bears both engraved not sgd
- c—LPSP third state of plate darker sgd J W Spenceley 1902 — bear on shield indistinct
- d-LPSP final state bear on shield ret in red brown
- e—LPSP same state in black Print — no change

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST

Note—The following dates are from Mr. Spenceley's own record, excepting as to dates of Nos. 210-216-217 which are only approximate.

1895

- 1. OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES.
- 2. H. C. M. THOMSON.
- 3. MARY H. FEE.
- 4. RALPH OLIVER SMITH.
- 5. FREDERICK DENISON LYON.
- 6. M. M. SANDS.
- 7. ALICE ROOT ATKINSON.
- 8. WILLIAM M. DERBY, JR.
- 9. TRACY C. DRAKE.

1896

- 10. J. WINFRED SPENCELEY (I). (Armorial.)
- 11. NOBLE FOSTER HOGGSON (I). (DECORATIVE)
- 12. NORMAN W. HARRIS.
- 13. BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY.
- 14. CHARLES FRY.
- 15. FREDERICK HENRY PRINCE.
- 16. DUBOIS HENRY LOUX.
- 17. NOBLE FOSTER HOGGSON (II). (ARMORIAL.)

1897

- 18. J. WINFRED SPENCELEY (II). (PICTORIAL.)
- 216. GEORGE FOSTER BARNES

- 19. DAVID W. CHEEVER, M. D.
- 20. WILLIAM CARVER WILLIAMS, M. D.
- 21. GEORGE FOSTER BARNES.
- 22. WALTER CONWAY PRESCOTT (I). (PICTORIAL.)
- 23. HOTEL TOURAINE, Boston
- 24. HENRY SARGENT CODMAN AND PHILIP COD-MAN.
- 25a. HENRY STURGIS GREW
- 25b. RANDOLPH CLARK GREW.
- 26. JOHN EDWARD DEVLIN.
- 27. FRED H. C. WOOLLEY.
- 28. CHARLES E. CAMERON (I)
- 29. CHARLES E. CAMERON (II).
- 30. MINNIE C. HOLBROOK.
- 31. E. N. HEWINS.
- 32. ANDREW SMITH.
- 33. (ABRAM GARFIELD.)
- 34. MARGARET VAN ZANDT.
- 35. BILLERICA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.
- 36. WILLIAM A. BUTTERFIELD.
- 37. BOSTON BROWNING SOCIETY.
- 38. ADÈLE TYLDEN LOW.
- 39. A. T. CLEARWATER.
- 40. 20TH REGIMENT, M. V. I.
- 41. JAMES RUDOLPH GARFIELD.
- 210. KENNETH MINIUS ANDREINI
 - 1898.
- 42. WILLIAM C. WAIT.
- 43. WALTER CONWAY PRESCOTT (II). (LAND-SCAPE.)
- 44. FRANK W. HASTINGS, Jr.

- 45. BRYSON LIBRARY, (TEACHERS COLLEGE.)
- 46. [ALBERT C. BATES.]
- 47. EDMUND JOLLIFFE.
- 48. LEVI W. EATON.
- (48). LEVI F. EATON.
- 49. MARIANNE BEERS STERLING MEMORIAL.
- 50. BESSIE H. WILLIAMS.
- 51. HENRY A. SMITH.
- 52. EDWARD S. STICKNEY.

1899.

- 53. MATHILDE E. THÉBAUD.
- 54. ROBERT SCOVILLE—HERBERT SCOVILLE.
- 55. EVA LEWIS.
- 56. CHARLES EDMUND—ANNA BRISTOL PECK.
- 57. CHARLES PFAFF.
- 58. ADRIENNE ADAMS WICKHAM.
- 59. GARDINER GREENE—ESTHER LATHROP HAMMOND.
- 60. J.[ULIA] B.[RADFORD] W.[HITE].
- 61. WOMAN'S CLUB OF WISCONSIN (I).
- 62. FRANCES SANFORD.
- 63. LOIS KELLOGG.
- 64. DETROIT PUBLIC LIBRARY.
- 65. CHARLES GODDARD WELD.
- 66. GEORGE S. CHAMBLISS.
- 67. UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.
- 68. GRACE ANDERSON SMITH.
- 69. GEORGE HIGGINSON, Jr.
- 70. THE W. H. PERRY LIBRARY.

1900.

71. C. WILL CHAPPELL.

- 72. MARY M. EMERY.
- 73. WILLIAM WHITING.
- 74. MAUDE HEYWARD.
- 75. ALLENE LEC. MERRILL.
- 76. HENRY KIDDER GILBERT.

1901.

- 77. MINERVA CUSHING CROCKER.
- 78. ELIZABETH HITCHCOCK BRAYTON.
- 79. JENNIE PRINCE BLACK.
- 80. CHARLES J. LIVINGOOD.
- 81. THE ALTON ROAD.
- 82. ALICE A. DODSWORTH.
- 83. ETHELBERT IDE LOW.
- 84. HANNAH ADAMS PFAFF.
- 85. ZELLA ALLEN DIXSON (I). (PICTORIAL.)
- 86. OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY (I). (OUTHWAITE.)
- 87. DARTMOUTH COLLEGE LIBRARY (I).

(CHAMBERLAIN.)

- 88. HENRY LADD CORBETT.
- 89. MARY FLORENCE TAFT.
- 90. FRED ERWIN WHITING.
- 91a. JOHN HAYS GARDINER.
- 91b. ROBERT HALLOWELL GARDINER, OAKLANDS.
- 91c. JOHN TUDOR GARDINER.
- 92. JOHN WINGATE WEEKS.
- 93. REDMOND CONYNGHAM STEWART.
- 94. WINFRED PORTER TRUESDELL.
- 95. MARGARET F. G. WHITNEY.
- 96a. BERTHE L. WELCH.
- 96b. A. WELCH.

- 96c. B. D'ALTÉ WELCH.
- 97. MATTHEW HENRY TAYLOR.
- 98. MARIE WINTHROP.
- 99. GEORGE H. MIFFLIN.
- 100. ARTHUR FRANKLIN JOHNSON.
- 101. A.[DELAIDE] M. S.[MITH].
- 102. HALE MEMORIAL.
- 103. MAUD TEAHON.
- 104. LOWELL M. PALMER (I). (FERNS.)
- 105. VERYL PRESTON.
- 106. ETHEL RANDOLPH THAYER.
- 107. UNIVERSITY CLUB OF CHICAGO.
- 108. HORACE SWEENEY OAKLEY.
- 109. LOWELL M. PALMER (II). (EVERGREENS.)
- 110. GEORGE CLIFFORD THOMAS.
- 111. THOS. N. MILLER.
- 112. CHARLES RATHBONE BALLOU.
- 113. THE ZETA PSI CLUB.

1907

- 114. JULIA MARION HOYT.
- 115. LOWELL M. PALMER (III). (DECORATIVE.)
- 116. HAVEN.
- 117. PHILANDER CHASE KNOX.
- 118. HERBERT SPENCER ALLEN.
- 119. W. B. L.[EEDS].
- 120. HENRY ROGERS WINTHROP.
- 121. MORRIS & LENORE BLACK.
- 122. LUCY WHITE WILLIAMS.
- 123. OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY (II). (WHITE LIBRARY.)
- 124. GEORGIA MEDORA LEE (I).

- 125. HENRY AND ALICE YOUNG.
- 126. CLIFFORD ALEXANDER COCHRAN.
- 127. ROBERT GORHAM FULLER.
- 128. HELEN VERNERA DRAKE.
- 214. WISTERIA COTTAGE PRESS. (Z. A. DIXSON.)

- 129. ANDREW CHRISTIAN ZABRISKIE.
- 130. CHARLES STEWART SMITH.
- 131. MARTHA HOUGHTALING INGALLS.
- 132. FREDERICK NORTON FINNEY.
- 133. JAMES COWAN GREENWAY.
- 134. HARVARD COLLEGE LIBRARY, NICKERSON MEMORIAL.
- 135. HARVARD COLLEGE LIBRARY, VON MAURER COLLECTION.
- 136. M. K. G.[AGE] (I).
- 137. SUNDAY SCHOOL, FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CHICAGO.
- 138. SAMUEL STRONG SPAULDING.
- 139. ROXANA ATWATER WENTWORTH BOWEN.
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- (141). WANDERINGS OF ALOHA.
- 142. WILLIAM PIERSON MEDICAL LIBRARY AS-SOCIATION.
- 143. ROBERT SEVER HALE.
- 144. HENRIETTA ELEANOR ROBINSON.
- 145. UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.
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- 211. RICHARD COLBY SPENCELEY.

- 147. CHARLES EDWARD HOLBROOK.
- 148. E. L. W. W. M. S.[MTH].
- 149. GEORGE LAUDER.
- 150. ROBERT STANTON BREWSTER.
- 151. UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SPINELLO MEMORIAL.
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- 153. GEORGE HERBERT PALMER.
- 154. SUSAN E. P. FORBES.
- [136.] M. K. G[AGE]. (SECOND VARIETY.)
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- 156. MARY NIXON SMITH.
- 157. MELCHOR OCAMPO MANZO.
- 158. WILLIAM F. HERRIN.
- 159. ZELLA ALLEN DIXSON (II). (LANDSCAPE.)
- 160. LINDA THOMAS.
- 161. H. O. HAVEMEYER, JR.
- 162. GEORGIA MEDORA LEE (II).
- (162). GEORGIA MEDORA PRESTON.
- 163. GRAYCROFT
- 164. FRANCIS GREGORY WOOD.
- 165. GORDON ABBOTT.
- 166. MARIA LLOYD KING.
- [166]. HENRY LLOYD 3RD
- 167. JULIA FOLGER CARSON.
- 168. CHARLES HENRY
 MARY LITTLE DICKINSON DEERE
- 169. HELEN CLAY FRICK.
- 170. CHILDS FRICK.

- 171. GEORGE S. GOODRICH.
- 172. FREDERICK STARR.

1906.

- 173. ATHERTON CLARK.
- 174. JOSEPHINE ELIZABETH IZARD.
- 175. WOMAN'S CLUB OF WISCONSIN (II).
- 176. JANE SHERRILL KNOWLES.
- 177. PHILLIP MESIER LYDIG.
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- 217. BISHOP'S HOUSE, QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

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- 206. MITCHELL PUBLIC LIBRARY.
- 207. CHARLES PELHAM CURTIS.
- 208. ELLEN JUDITH CRANE.
- 209. READING CLUB, ST. MATTHEW'S SCHOOL.
- 213. J. M. A[NDREINI]

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